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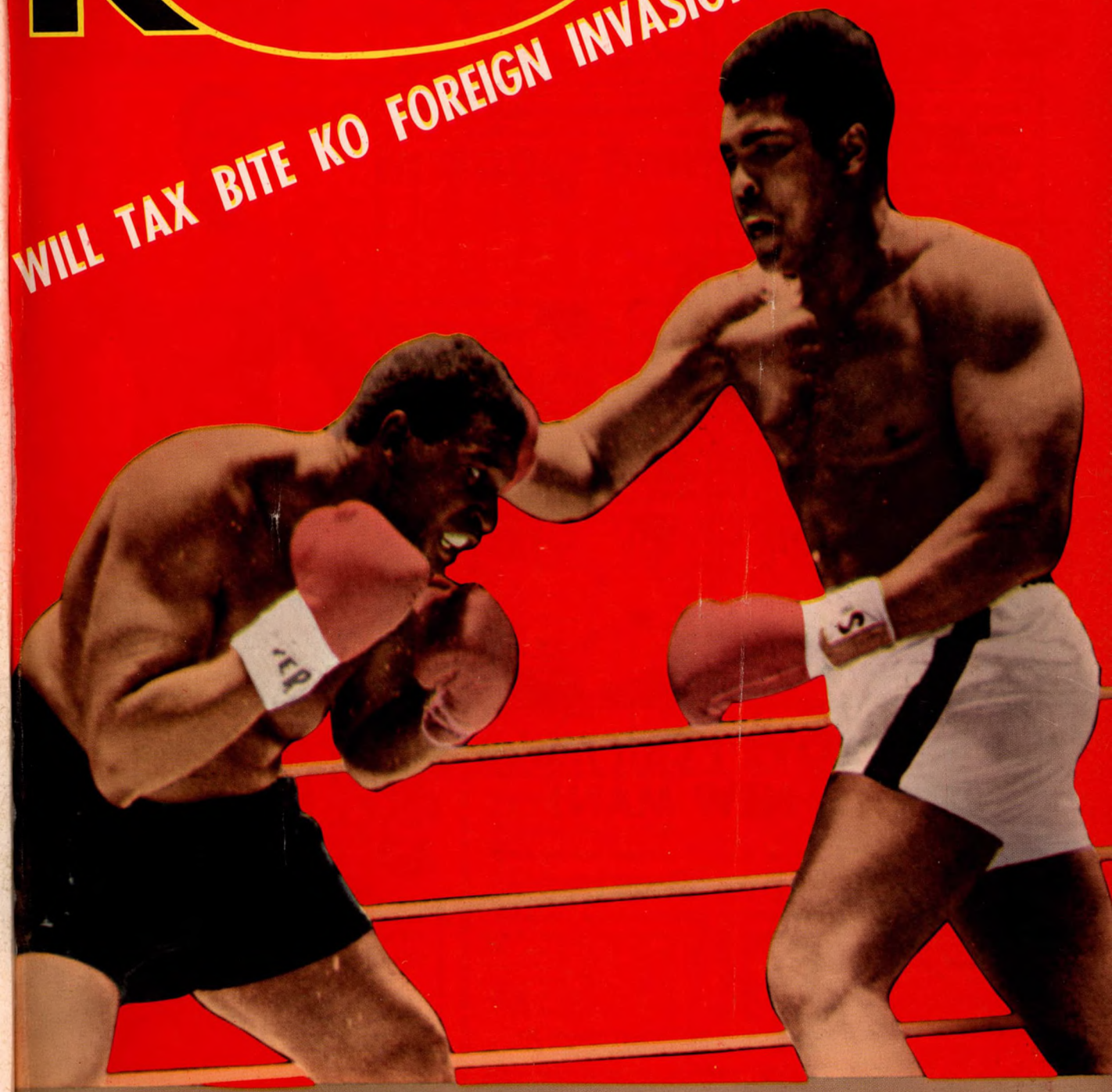

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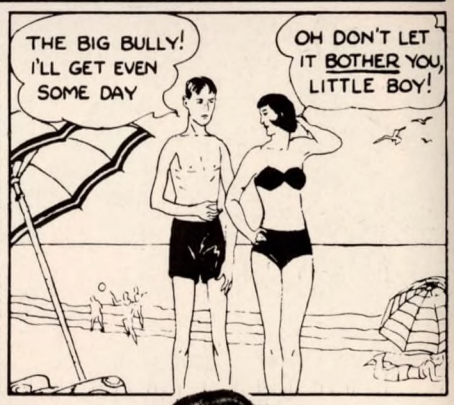

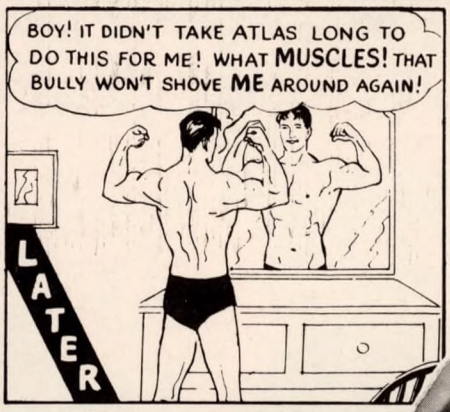

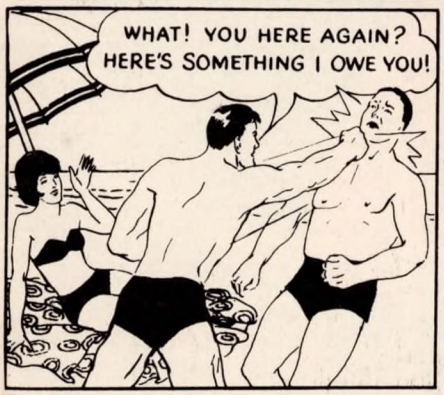

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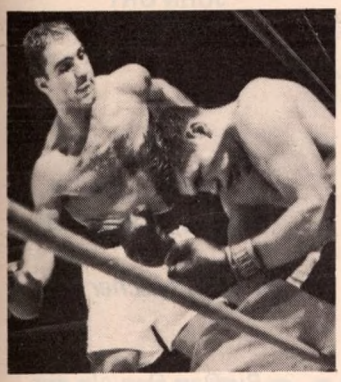

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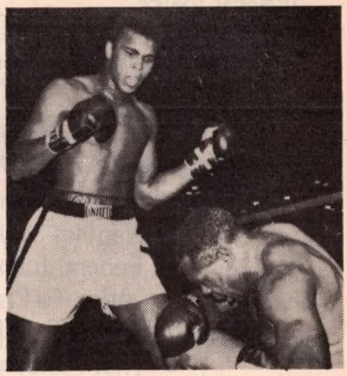

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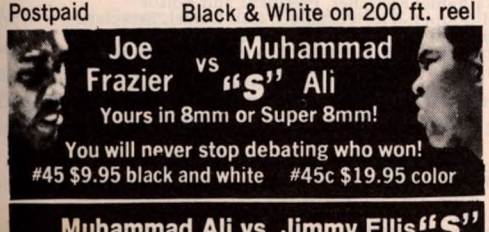

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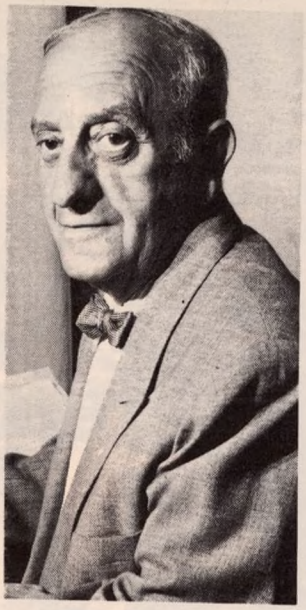


NAT FLEISCHER SPEAKS OUT

I like Billy Backus. I like the way he fought his way to the welterweight championship by stopping so able and highly regarded a fighter as Jose Napoles.

I like Syracuse, N.Y., where I have seen many good fights. I like the men behind the Canastota Club, which sponsored the contest in which Backus beat Napoles, with money loss.

However, I do not like the decision of the New York State Commission, Eddie Dooley, chairman, which says that Napoles no longer is the welter titleholder and which orders an (alleged) elimination tournament to fill the (alleged) vacancy.

Why the effort to oust Napoles? Dooley finds Napoles and manager Alfred Cruz guilty of a gross infraction of the rules because the Cuban-born fighter has failed to honor an agreement to appear in Syracuse within 120 days of Napoles' loss, or regaining, of the championship against Backus in Los Angeles last June 4.

In the ill-advised effort to take the title from Napoles, a great fighter, the New York Commission has backed itself into a nasty corner. It virtually has approved a return match, knowing that Backus would have to be the choice of the Syracuse promoters.

It appears that there was a return match in Canastota's contracts with Napoles-Backus.

I am astonished that the New York Commission made the silly ruling. I know that it will receive absolutely no support outside of the New York offices of the commission.

I wish to remind friend Dooley that The Ring supports the ancient law of the ring that a title must be won and lost inside the roped square. This is as true among the welterweights as it is among the heavyweights.

That the Canastota club is eager to recoup the losses it suffered the night Backus took the title from Napoles is not surprising.

That the New York Commission permits itself to be swayed by considerations which are not for the best interests of boxing, and seeks to hurt one of the most genuinely established champions is beyond belief.

The 120-day clause is palpably an infraction of the New York regulation against the setting down of arrangements for a return match in any contract.

The Ring has no intention of recognizing the New York Commission's mandate and will continue to support Jose Napoles as the world welter champion until such time as he loses the title in the ring, or turns it in, for retirement.

Truly great fighters should not be harassed, unless for good and sufficent reasons. Napoles has been harassed by the Dooley group for a flimsy reason. The sport cannot afford to have this type of action.

Sometimes boxing develops problems which would appear to be unsolvable. But the 120-day gimmick presents no puzzling facets, legally or in the interest of ring welfare.

The New York decision not only has proved ineffective but has held the Dooley trio up to ridicule, especially in Mexico. Here we are throwing occasional strings of garlic at foreign referees and promoters, when along comes the New York action against Napoles. It's a difficult thing to explain, even to the W.B.A., which once in a while makes a booboo of its own.

In refusing to give any consideration whatsoever (the WBA has done likewise) to the New York edict against Napoles, The Ring, and I personally, deplore the fact that Backus is involved. He got himself into a wringer and now apparently will be forced to appear in the courts in support of the Canastota club's contention.

If the case goes to trial, the New York Commission may find itself completely repudiated. It should not invite involvement in suits. It should have learned its lesson from the its edict against Cassius Clay, announcing that he no longer was the champion and was not eligible to fight in the state of New York.

While on the subject of the W.B.A., let's have the Foster–Rondon situation cleared up.

The WBA says the Venezuelan is the light heavyweight champion and The Ring, once again defending the ukase that titles are won and lost only in the ring, is strong for Foster.

This match would draw well anywhere. Even New York, which rarely has been partial to light heavies, would come out for this one, as Rondon has indicated eligibility for the challenge against Bob.

Rondon long refused to leave Venezuela, but now that he has fought in Europe and Miami Beach, he should be eager to take on the older champion.

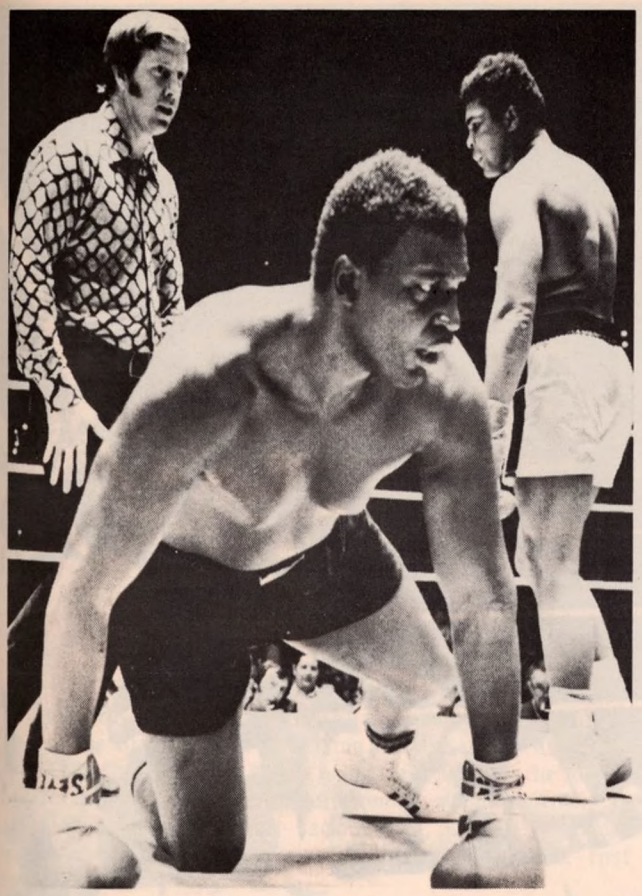
Instead, we find Rondon signing for a fight with Carlos Monzon, the middleweight champion.

Monzon's KO victory over Emile Griffith appears to have left Carlos with the impression that he has cleaned up the opposition in the 160-pound class.

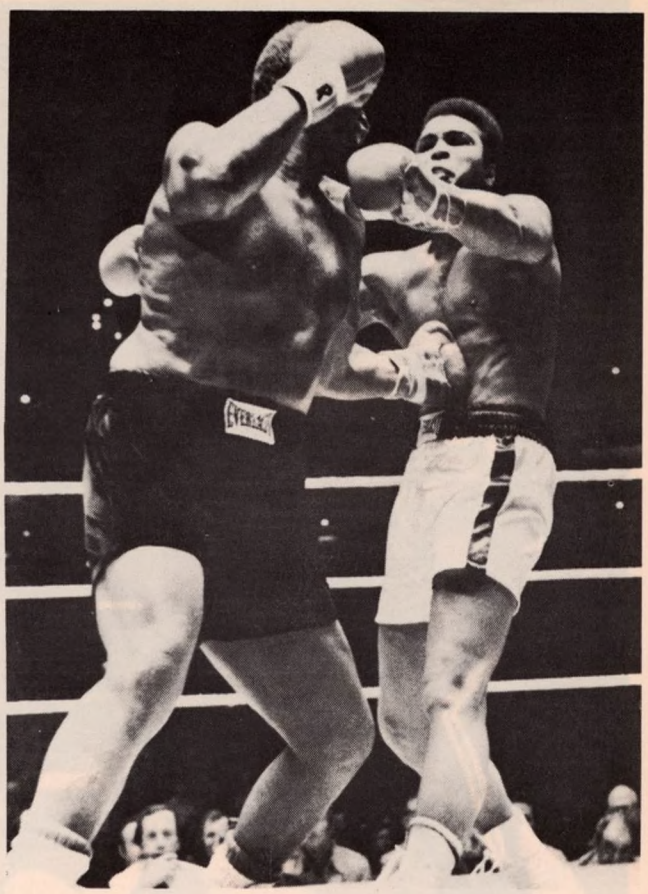
There still are things to be done among the middleweights.

Monzon had better concentrate on fighting in his own weight class. Especially is he warned not to seek the light heavy crown, as it has brought no fortune to any 175-pound hero of more recent years, if ever.

MATHIS—THE FACE OF DEFEAT



A dazed Buster Mathis tries to pull himself up from the canvas in the 12th as Cassius Clay walks toward a corner and referee Chris Jordan comes over to start the count.



Mathis lands a left to Clay's stomach as Cassius is about to connect with a left to the side of the jaw. This occurred in the fourth round of the bout at the Astrodome.

THAT FANDANGO IN HOUSTON LEFT MATHIS CRYING AND CASSIUS MOST COMPASSIONATE

By DAN DANIEL

INSOFAR as its bearing on the world heavyweight situation was concerned, the 12-round fandango between Cassius Clay and Buster Mathis in the Houston Astrodome was not good.

In the first place, Ali did not look as good as he had looked in his 15-round defeat by Joe Frazier. Cassius came in at 227 pounds, some of it represented by belt line suet, and Mathis weighed 256.

It was apparent that Cassius is living the easy life, which may be attributed to the fact that Frazier shows no inclination to summon Clay to a rematch in the foreseeable future.

Frazier is not eager, Clay is not ready, and the fans appear to be losing interest. Cassius says that maybe Frazier is not feeling well. Could be. After the Clay fight Joe spent some time in a Philadelphia hospital with high blood pressure and boxer's kidney accompanied by blood urination.

Mathis did himself very little good except to pick up $15,000, badly needed. He had been out of action for two and a half years. He moved with greater life than expected for 10 heats and then he began to wilt more than perceptibly.

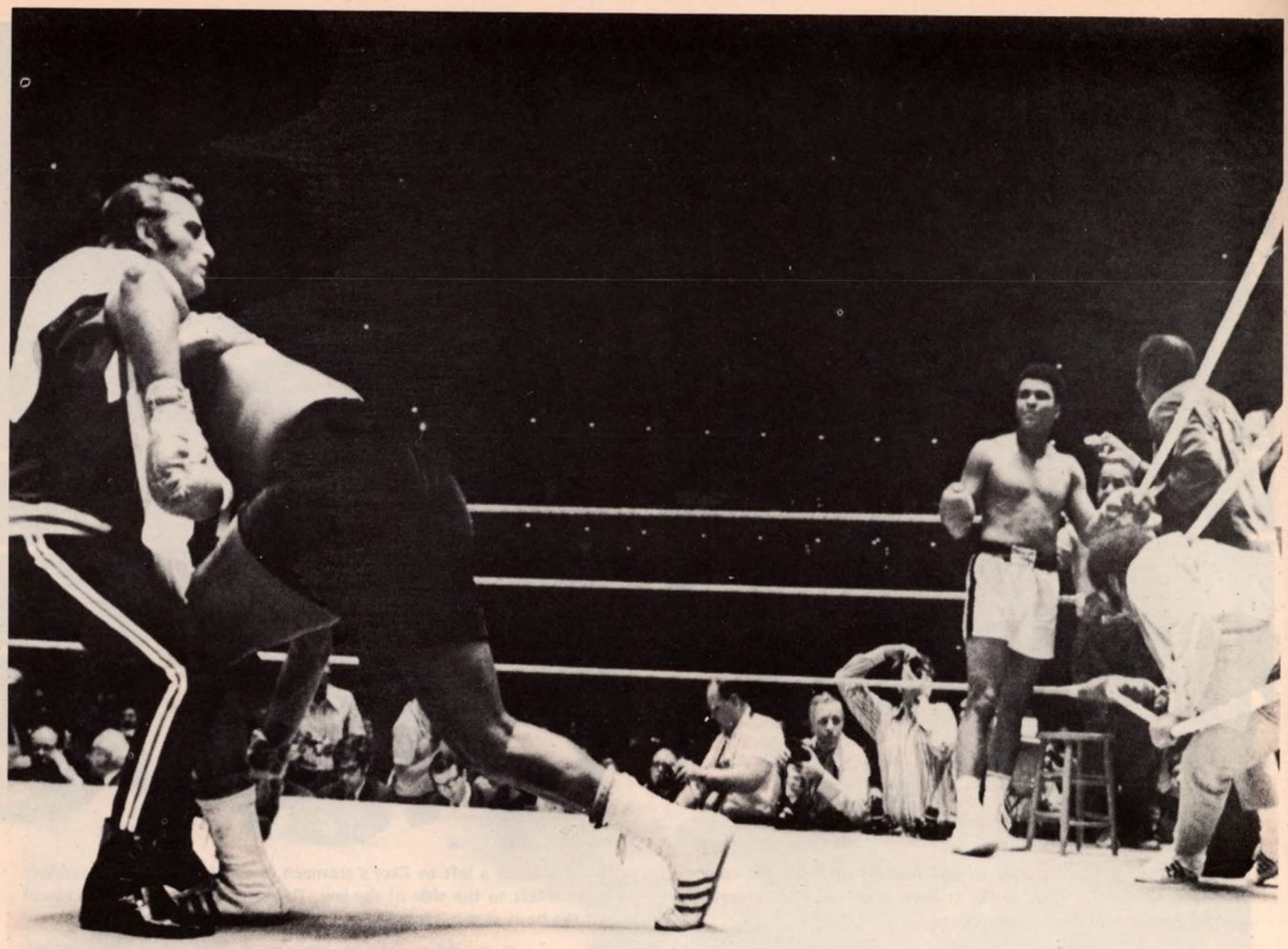
Maybe it was Buster's Last Stand, which Cassius had predicted. In any event, Mathis's future in the ring is very much beclouded. He did nothing at Houston to move him into the Top Ten heavies.

The announced attendance at Houston was 21,000. It was less. Considerably less.

The announced profit was $100,000. It was less. A lot less. In fact, report has it that no profits came out of the ill-conceived enterprise and that Jimmy Iselin, Buster's manager, had lost $100,000.

The live gate in Houston was said to have been $115,000 and closed circuit receipts $200,000. These figures could not be verified.

In any event, the picnic is over. The fans won't shell out and the fighters will have to reduce their demands. The longer Frazier and Clay wait, the worse for the fight as a universal



Clay watches intently as a Mathis' handler helps the big fellow to his corner after the bell ended round 11 with Buster on the floor for the second time. Mathis was floored twice more in the 12th.

attraction.

Mathis was knocked down twice in the 11th round and twice in the 12th.

He never hurt Cassius. He did not appear to justify his return to the ring.

Did Clay really try to stop him? The impression was that Cassius tempered the wind to the shorn lamb and showed a lot of sympathy and commiseration for the beaten fighter. After the fracas, as Mathis sat on his stool crying, Clay patted him on the back and tried to console him. It was a strange picture.

Many newspapers used it and if it did heavyweight championship fighting no tangible good it gave a good face to boxing for the average follower of the game. Maybe the old lady in Omaha didn't think box-fighting was so bad, after all.

In the 12th round, Mathis went down twice, not because he was hit hard, but because he had lost it all, was exhausted, done in physically and emotionally. He had tried his best and his gamest, and it was nowhere near what had been necessary to make even an iota of a decent impression.

In the early rounds, Clay merely flicked his glove in Mathis's face. The first heat was a classic. Neither man delivered a punch. To say that they were feeling each other out would be a hoax.

The fact is, the 12-round affair was a puffed-up exhibition. Houston customers, who will be invited to other Clay showings, will not forget the Mathis "struggle" on top of the Ellis KO.

The Clay side has begun to doubt that the fans will come out to see their man meet even Joe Stiff, just so long as they view their hero.

Even Herbert Muhammad, Clay's Black Muslim manager, now doubts that the lush days will go on. He hopes there will be, let us say, $300,000 for Ali in a meeting with Jurgen Blin in Zurich.

Two inexperienced promoters have signed with the fighters but they have yet to come up with more than $10,000. ABC television has shown no interest, to date. Could be it was surprised by the Blin record it got from the Ring Information Bureau.

Let us bid farewell—for the time being, anyway—to poor Buster and pass on to what Frazier and Clay have been doing.

Frazier has a date to meet Terry Daniels, unrated, unimpressive. Just an evening.

The blueprint in Yank Durham's office appears to call for an occasional well paid outing, with corned beef sandwiches and pickles, in the more or less active company of a none-too-formidable guest.

On the Clay side, we find a plan to have 12 televised fights, maybe one per month, with the fistic reputations of the opposition of little consequence.

The financial figures for the Clay-Mathis affair may stop the promoters for review of the undertaking, and possibly force them to doubt the wisdom of the advertised undertaking.

There are differences of opinion regarding the quality of Clay's compassion.

Many of the experts believe that Cassius would do best if he stopped his opposition with as few punches as necessary and not, as he did against Mathis, prolong the agony for the loser.

Mathis's chances were rated so low that there was no

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Bodell's 64-Second KO By Quarry Makes Britons Want Cooper Back

By EDDIE LONG

LONDON, England—The British flag atop the headquarters of the British Board of Boxing Control flies at half staff. There is no set date for its being flung again to the British breezes. It was lowered the night, recently, when the American Jerry Quarry knocked out Jack Bodell, British, Commonwealth and European heavyweight champion, in the first round.

Even horizontal Joe Beckett could not have matched the despatch with which Bodell, recent conqueror of Joe Bugner, made his exit against a California heavy who is rated below Cassius Clay and George Foreman in the trans-Atlantic listings, headed by Joe Frazier.

That Bodell would be no match for Quarry had been expected by many of the wise men of boxing in Britain. That the former pig farmer would not survive the first round hardly had been predicted. But Bodell was on his way to his dressing room before the fans who saw the aborted engagement at Wembley got comfortable. It was scheduled for 10 rounds.

The sad fate of Bodell has left Britain's heavyweight division a shambles. There is considerable hollering for Dan McAlinden. But the experts fear that Dan would fare little better than Bodell did if he were to get into the same ring with Quarry.

Even a Bombardier Wells would be welcomed here. Even a Tom Sayers. A Phil Scott? No, please!

Come to think of it, early exits have not been very unusual for Bodell.

In 1963, a virtual unknown, Stoffel Willemse, a South African, stopped Bodell in two heats. Henry Cooper disposed of the farmer in two rounds in June 1967.

In 1966, Thad Spencer stopped Bodell in two and Piero Tomassoni took him in three.

But one round—just 64 seconds! That achieved a new low in the erratic fortunes of Mr. Bodell, who, incidentally, still is

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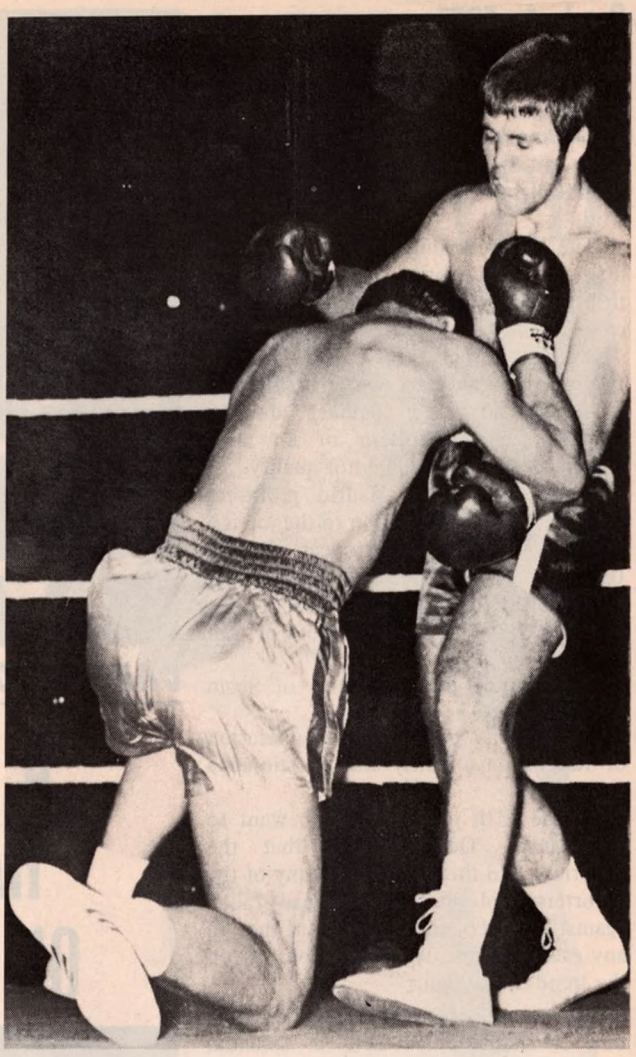
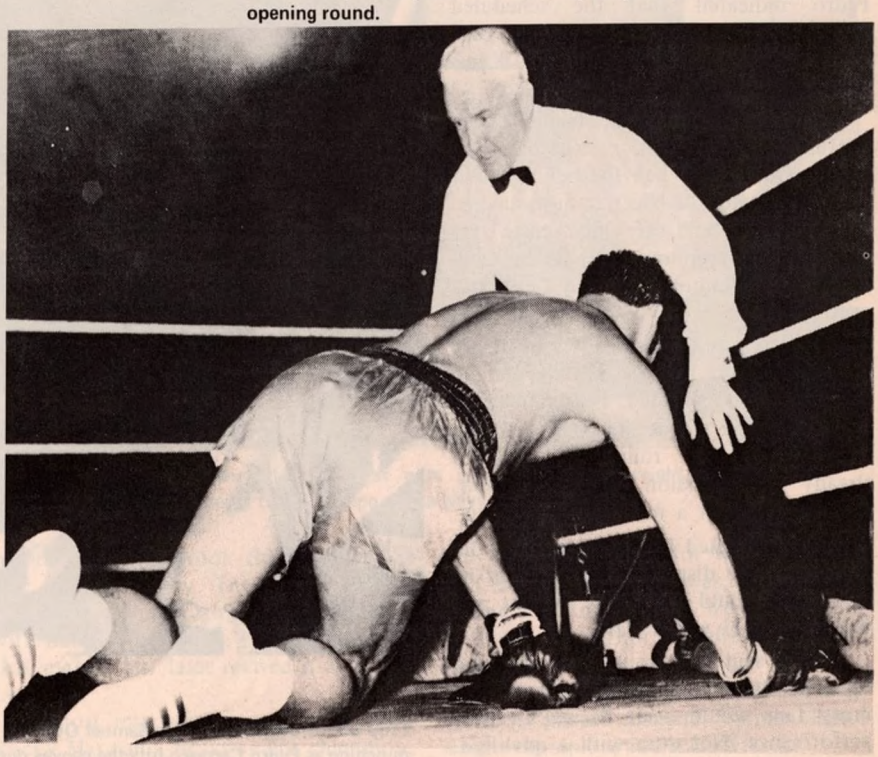
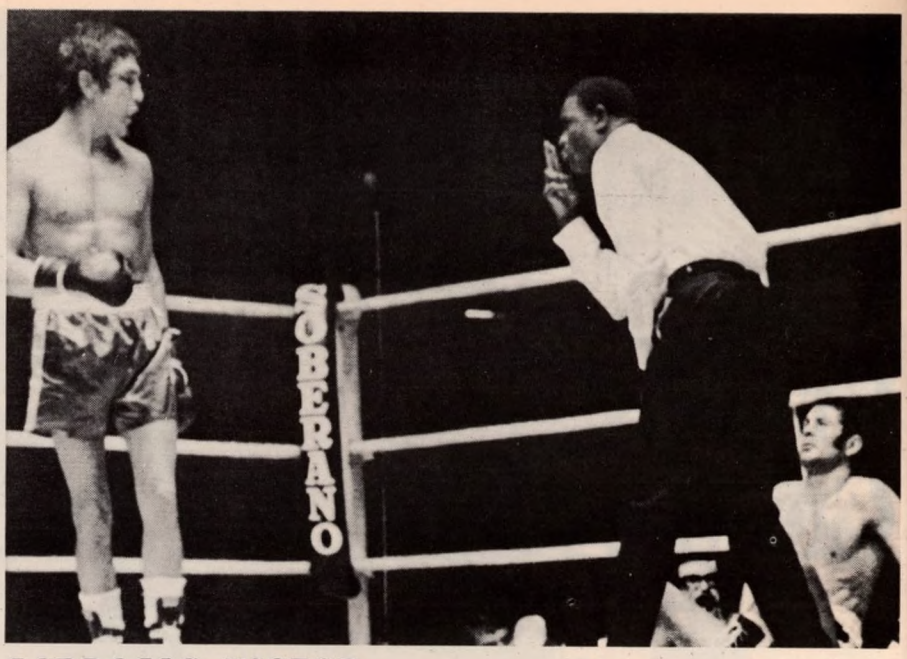


Jack Bodell slips to one knee during a mid-ring collision shortly before Jerry Quarry delivered the coup de grace at 64 seconds of the opening round.



Bodell is being counted out while on his hands and knees. The result did not exactly aid the British heavyweight situation.

By J. A. TREE



CARRASCO VICTOR

A VERY FUNNY THING HAPPENED TO RAMOS ON HIS WAY TO A WIN

MADRID, Spain—To begin with, the fight between Mando Ramos, Los Angeles, former lightweight champion, and Spain's Pedro Carrasco was not for the lightweight championship of the world.

The World Boxing Council, which has little or no authority, called it a world title fight, despite the fact that the true champion is Ken Buchanan, of Scotland.

In the second place, the disqualification of the American in the 11th round by a Nigerian referee, Samuel Odubote, was the inept decision of an inexperienced official who did not qualify.

How a reputable Madrid promoter came to assign the Nigerian to the job is a mystery which the European Boxing Union is left to explain. This it cannot do. The EBU acceptance of Odubote was in line with other blatant errors of that organization.

The leading boxing writers of Spain attacked the decision.

The Nigerian based the disqualification of Ramos on a flimsy and questionable occurence.

In the 11th round, Carrasco went to the canvas. Odubote said that the American had thrown Pedro. Many of the reporters said that Ramos had fallen against Carrasco, and pointed out that, in any event, the incident had no bearing on the trend of the fight.

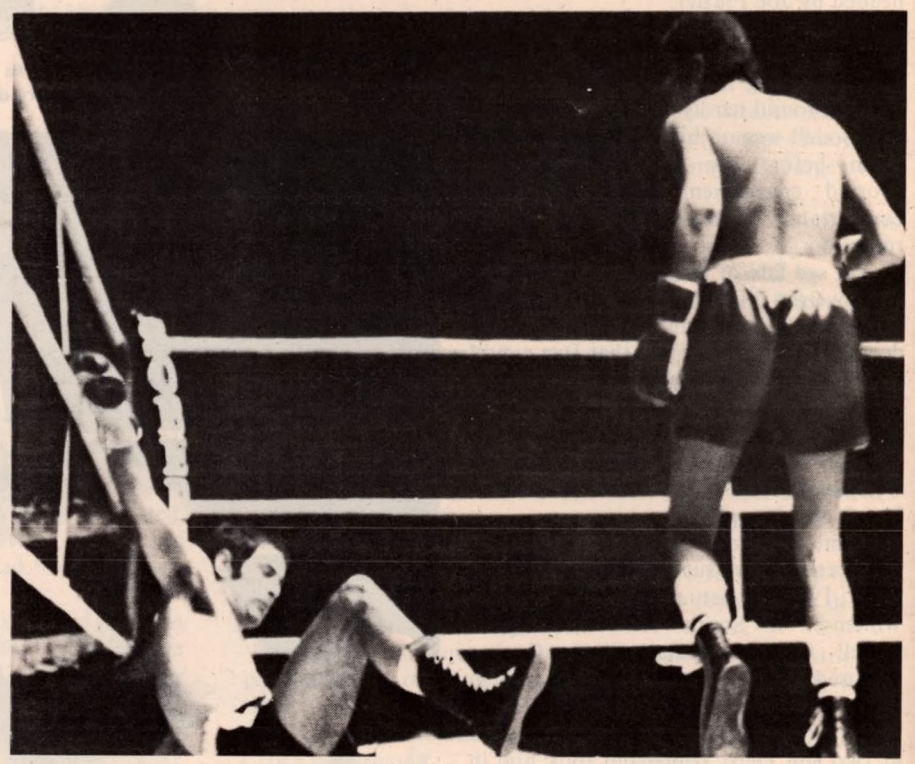
Ramos, who for some time had been out of shape, came here in splendid condition and gave Carrasco a thorough trouncing. What the Los Angelino did to Pedro indicated that the scheduled encounter between Carrasco and Buchanan would not be a close one. Ken's boxing skill would bewilder Carrasco.

The affair here was loaded with confusion, the most confused being referee Odubote. When the bell sounded for 12th round, the Nigerian motioned to the corners to hold off. One minute later the referee announced that he had disqualified Ramos, and the fight was over.

Carrasco was knocked down no fewer than four times. In the 10th round he appeared to be finished. Pedro managed to weather the storm and go on fighting through the 11th round with Ramos already in possession of the decision, barring a KO, or a referee from Nigeria.

Ramos weighed 134 pounds and so did Carrasco, who disproved reports that he no longer could make the weight and belonged in the welter class.

Ramos said that he was entitled to a rematch. But it is difficult to believe that many fans would want to see a repeat performance. Not even with a qualified, experienced referee from London running the fight.



(Top photo) Nigerian referee Samuel Odubote issues a second warning to Mando Ramos for low punching as Pedro Carrasco hits the canvas during their bout in Madrid. (Lower photo) Carrasco on the deck for the first of his four trips there, this occurring in the first round. Pedro was declared the winner by the referee, who disqualified Ramos after 11 rounds.

BUCHANAN BREAKS WITH THOMAS, FINANCES INVOLVED

By EDDIE LONG

LONDON, England—The boxing firm of Buchanan and Thomas has been dissolved. Ken Buchanan, lightweight champion of the world, has gone his way, and Eddie Thomas, his manager, has gone his.

This is their second break. The first was healed when they met at a funeral in the Buchanan family and, emotional, shook hands and repaired the break.

This time, say both, there is no chance that there will be a healing of the breach.

Thomas says the fighter has become greedy and over-demanding, and Buchanan accuses Thomas of being cheap in the current market, and the demand for his services.

Buchanan insists that he will run his own business. Boxing history warns the lightweight to attend to boxing and to hire somebody to do his bargaining for him.

But Ken is sure that nobody is entitled to one third of his earnings.

Thomas says, "In his most recent four fights, I have got 80,000 pounds for Buchanan. He charges that this is not enough. I say I have got the limit of the market – around $200,000 American. If I am inadequate, he should find somebody else to do his business for him."

The partnership is said to have broken up December 1. Thomas has received credit for much of Buchanan's success. He is said to have persuaded the champion to go on boxing at a time when Ken did not believe he could earn a good living in the ring.

Buchanan has been resting since his second victory over Ismael Laguna, from whom he won the lightweight championship.

Ken is slated to defend against Pedro Carrasco, and also is wanted in New York to fight Mando Ramos, former titleholder, who got a raw deal in a fight in which he beat Carrasco in Madrid, with a referee from Africa delivering a strange verdict.

The Buchanan-Thomas break is reminiscent of other champion-manager breaches, notably the one in which Jack Kearns broke with Jack Dempsey.

Estelle Taylor, the movie star, did not like Kearns and when she married Dempsey, went right to work to get rid of Kearns, who, she said, owed Dempsey as much as $300,000.

Gene Tunney broke with Doc Bagley before the fighter took the heavyweight title from Dempsey. They had a serious argument when Bagley matched Gene with Battling Levinsky. Tunney cancelled that match, but later revived it and beat Levinsky.

A most important break came when Rocky Marciano, heavyweight champion, told Al Weill to leave.

Weill had done much for Marciano, and doubtless, much for Weill. Al took over Rocky when he was nobody and piloted him to the title. Weill's business methods were not admired by Mrs. Marciano.

Yet another important break was that between Ismael Laguna, former lightweight champion, and Isaac Kresch.

Kresch managed Laguna to the

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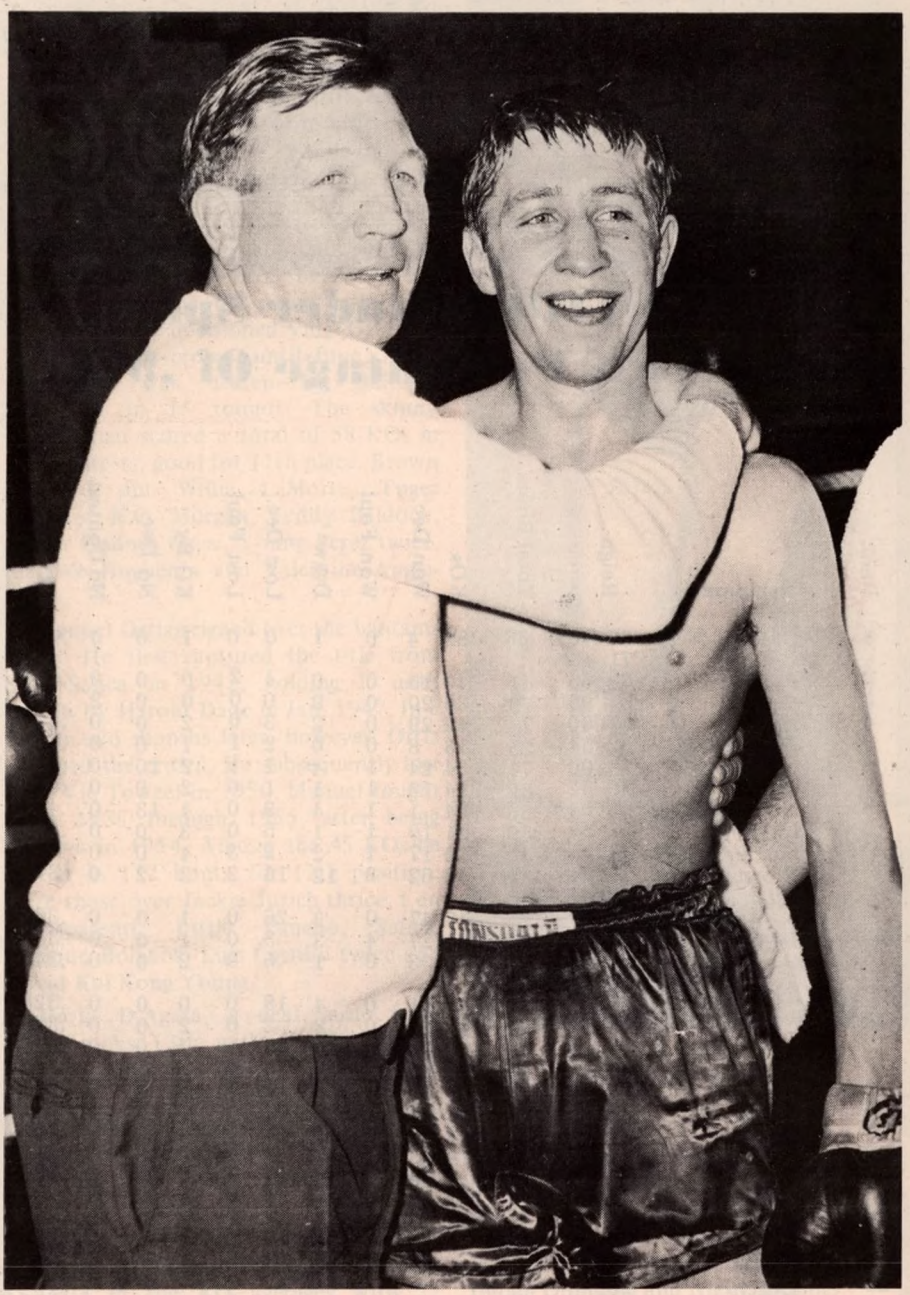


In happier days, manager Eddie Thomas puts arms around lightweight champion Ken Buchanan. Now they've come to the parting of the ways.

OLIVARES BEST BANTAM BELTER

By GEORGE GIRSCH
(Seventh of a Series)

WHEN they talk about hot hands, they have to be those of current bantamweight king Ruben Olivares.

The little Mexican with the dynamite fists is the proud possessor of a knockout percentage of .912 via 62 KOs in 68 bouts, tops, by far, among all 118-pound champions.

In Olivares' six other outings, he's captured four by decision, fought one draw and suffered one knockout, at the hands of Chucho Castillo, to whom he lost the bantam title in 1970. Ruben regained it from that worthy this past April on a 15-round verdict.

In all of Olivares' six other contests thus far in '71, he has stopped his foes—namely, Chung Park (6), Tsugio Minemaya (3), Yambito Blanco (5), Efren Torres (4), Valentin Galeano (9) and Kazuyoshi Kanazawa (14).

Other KOs scored by Olivares, who captured the world crown from Lionel Rose on a five-round KO in 1969, include those over Ushiwakamaru Harada, German Bastidas, Salvatore Burruni, Octavio Gomez, Joe Medel, Takao Sakurai and Alan Rudkin.

No. 2 in the bantam KO sweeptstakes is Eder Jofre, the brilliant Brazilian, who held the title from 1960 through 1965. The 35-year-old native of Sao Paulo, who

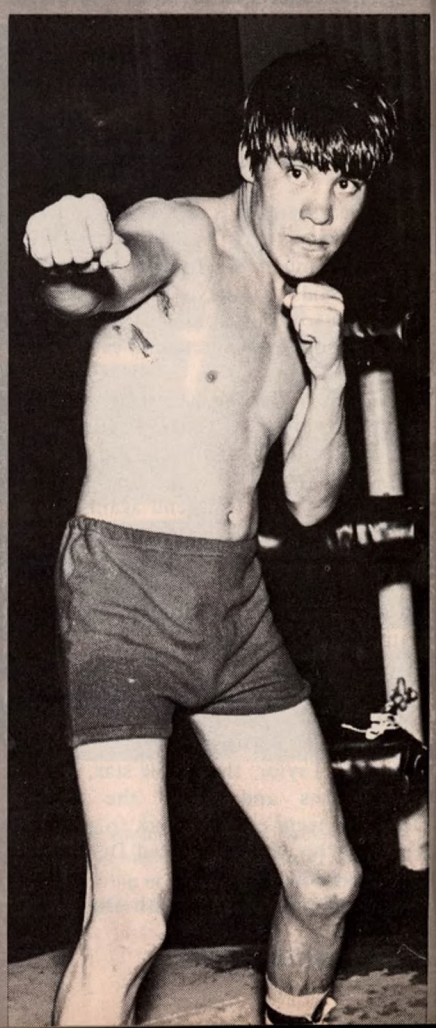
Mexican 118-Pounder Sports Knockout Percentage Of .912

Rank	Champion	Reign	Total Bouts	KOs	Won Dec.	Won Foul	Draw	Lost Dec.	Lost Foul	KO By	No Dec.	No Contest	KO Pct.
1	*Olivares	'69-'70; '71-	68	62	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	.912
2	*Jofre	'60-'65	61	40	15	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	.656
3	Barry	'94-'99	70	39	20	0	9	0	0	0	0	2	.557
4	Becerra	'59-'60	78	42	29	0	2	3	0	2	0	0	.538
5	Carruthers	'52-'54	25	13	8	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	.520
6	McGovern	'99-'00	77	34	24	1	4	1	1	2	10	0	.442
7	Toweel	'50-'52	32	14	13	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	.438
8	Neil	'03-'04	56	24	1	1	4	9	0	4	13	0	.429
9	Halimi	'57-'59	50	21	19	1	1	5	0	3	0	0	.420
10	*Castillo	'70-'71	48	19	17	1	2	2	3	4	0	0	.396
11	Brown	'29-'35	156	58	62	3	12	15	2	2	2	0	.372
12	Ortiz	'42-'47; '47-'50	122	45	47	0	3	26	0	1	0	0	.369
13	D'Agata	'56-'57	67	24	27	4	3	8	0	1	0	0	.358
14	Harada	'65-'68	63	22	33	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	.349
15	Escobar	'36-'37; '38-'40	64	21	21	0	4	18	0	0	0	0	.328
16	Cohen	'54-'56	43	14	22	0	3	2	0	2	0	0	.326
17	Sangchilli	'35-'36	77	24	33	2	5	11	1	1	0	0	.312
18	Martin	'24-'25	90	27	45	0	3	8	0	3	3	1	.300
19	Graham	'28-'29	127	37	63	1	6	11	1	2	6	0	.291
20	Harris	1901	54	15	24	1	7	2	0	0	5	0	.278
21	Coulon	'10-'14	96	24	32	0	4	2	0	2	32	0	.250
22	Williams	'14-'17	204	48	53	6	7	8	6	3	73	0	.235
23	Rose	'68-'69	47	11	29	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	.234
24	Goldstein	1924	129	30	59	0	5	9	0	4	22	0	.233
25	Forbes	'01-'03	130	30	47	3	23	4	0	11	12	0	.231
26	Jeffra	'37-'38	120	27	66	0	7	17	0	2	0	1	.225
27	Taylor	'27-'28	159	35	34	1	6	16	3	4	60	0	.220
28	Lynch	'20; '22-'24	134	29	13	0	15	13	0	0	64	0	.216
29	Dixon	'90-'91	150	30	47	1	37	21	1	4	9	0	.200
30	Marino	1936	40	7	19	0	2	10	0	2	0	0	.175
31	Bowker	'04-'05	51	8	32	0	1	4	0	4	2	0	.157
32	Salica	'40-'42	90	13	49	0	11	16	0	1	0	0	.144
33	Buff	'21-'22	94	13	15	0	4	9	0	7	45	1	.138
34	Herman	'17-'20; '21	148	19	52	0	8	10	1	1	57	0	.128
35	Rosenberg	'27-'27	64	7	28	1	6	14	1	0	7	0	.109
36	Walsh	'05-'07	120	12	39	1	18	8	0	1	41	0	.100

*Still active

(Includes three Jofre, three Rose, seven Olivares and four Castillo bouts in 1971. Rose has since retired)

RUBEN OLIVARES



is still active among the featherweights, has scored 40 KOs in 61 contests since turning pro in 1957. Jofre has stopped Jose Smecca, Ernesto Miranda, Joe Medel twice, Ricardo Moreno, Eloy Sanchez, Billy Peacock, Ramon Arias, Fernando Soto, Johnny Caldwell, Katsutoshi Aoki, Johnny Jamito and Bernardo Carballo.

Oldtimer Jimmy Barry is a surprising third with his 39 KOs in 70 bouts for a .557 average. Barry reigned as titleholder from 1894 until retiring undefeated in 1899. Among his KO victims were Casper Leon and Walter Croot, who died after the contest.

Joe Becerra fought from 1953 through 1960, with one comeback bout in 1962. He fought 78 times, scoring 42 KOs for a .538 percentage, good for fourth place. The Mexican stopped Alphonse Halimi to win the crown in 1959, holding it until announcing retirement in the summer of 1960. Becerra scored KOs over Dwight Hawkins, Gaetano Annaloro, Mario D'Agata, Billy Peacock and Halimi twice.

Jimmy Carruthers had about as short a career as any champion ever had. The doughty Australian had exactly 25 bouts, scoring 13 knockouts from 1950 to 1962. Carruthers, however, interspersed a retirement of seven years in between, from mid-1954 until mid 1961. Jimmy captured the world title via a one-round stoppage of Vic Toweel in 1952, holding the crown until his retirement in May 1954, when he opened a pub. Among Carruthers' KO victims were Toweel twice and Enrique Morales.

Terrible Terry McGovern won the vacant bantam title by kayoing Pedlar Palmer in one round in 1899. By 1900, McGovern had outgrown the division and vacated the crown. In his career, Terry racked up 34 KOs in 77 bouts, good for the No. 6 slot. His KO percentage of .442 had put him seventh among the feathers, whom he also ruled. McGovern knocked out George Dixon, Harry Forbes twice, Casper Leon, Patsy Haley twice, Frank Erne, Joe Bernstein, Joe Gans and Aurelio Herrera.

Vic Toweel, from Benoni, South Africa, like Carruthers, did not engage in many bouts for a world champion, going to the post only 32 times. Vic racked up 14 knockouts for seventh place. Toweel won the crown from Manuel Ortiz in 1950 and lost it to Carruthers in 1952. Toweel scored five KOs over Danny O'Sullivan, Theo Medina and Tony Lombard.

Frankie Neil, from San Francisco, fought from 1900 through 1910, holding the title from Aug., 1903, when he stopped Harry Forbes in two, until bowing to Joe Bowker in 20 rounds in London in 1904. Neil, author of 24 stoppages in 56 bouts, knocked out Forbes twice, and Dick Hyland.

Alphonse Halimi, a French-Algerian, became champion by defeating Mario D'Agata in 15 rounds in 1957, then lost his diadem via a KO at the hands of Joe Becerra in 1959. In his career, which extended from 1955 through 1964, Halimi scored 21 KOs in 50 outings, good for ninth position. He halted Pierre Cossemyns and Al Ascuncion.

Chucho Castillo, born Jesus Castillo Aguillera, holds the distinction of being the only boxer to have defeated Ruben Olivares, knocking him out for the title in 1970. Olivares regained the crown by decisioning Chucho this past April. Castillo scored 19 KOs in 48 contests, a percentage of .396. Chucho holds KOs over Olivares, Bernardo Caraballo, Evan Armstrong and Alberto Jangalay.

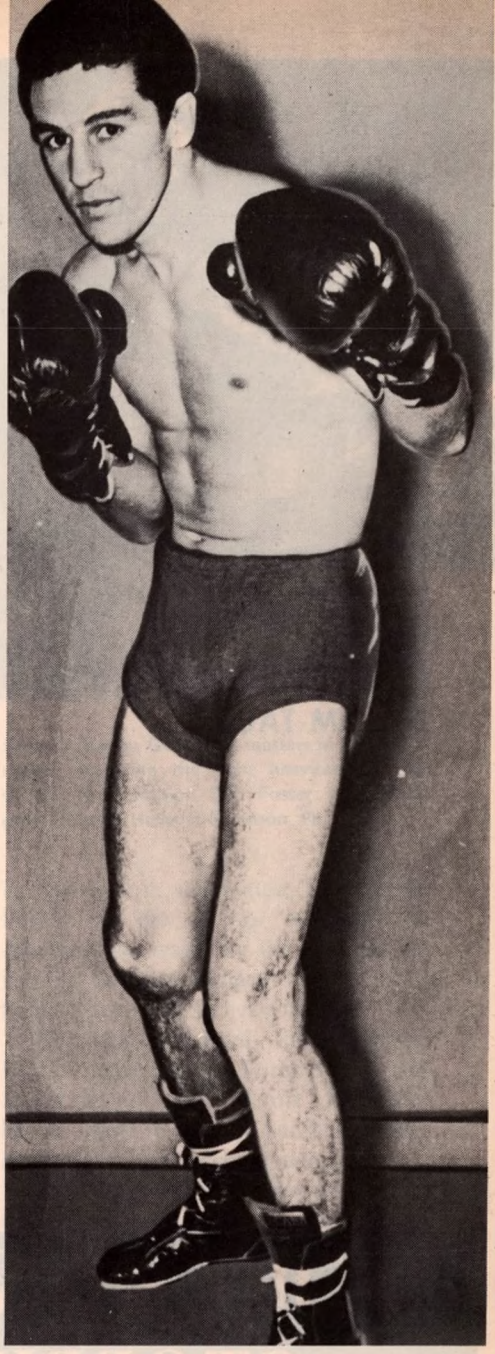
Panama Al Brown was the most elongated bantam of 'em all, standing 5-11. Brown boxed from 1922 through 1944, holding the 118-pound title from 1929, when he decisioned Vidal Gregorio for the vacant crown, until June, 1935, when he was beaten by Baltazar Sangchilli in 15 rounds. The skinny Panamanian scored a total of 58 KOs in 156 contests, good for 11th place. Brown knocked out Willie LaMorte, Tuger Humery, K.O. Morgan, Teddy Baldock, Spider Pladner twice, Young Perez twice, Maurice Huguenin and Valentine Anglemann.

Manuel Ortiz reigned over the bantams twice. He first captured the title from Lou Salica in 1942, holding it until beaten by Harold Dade in Jan. 1947. In a return two months later, however, Ortiz regained the crown. He subsequently lost it to Vic Toweel in 1950. Manuel fought from 1938 through 1955, after being inactive in 1954. Among the 45 KOs he scored in 122 bouts, for 12th position, were those over Jackie Jurich thrice, Lou Transparenti, Little Pancho, Salica, Enrique Bolanos, Luis Castillo twice and David Kui Kong Young.

Mario D'Agata, a deaf mute from Italy, ranks 13th with 24 KOs in 67 bouts. D'Agata fought from 1950 through 1962, winning the vacant title from Robert Cohen in 1956 and losing it to Alphonse Halimi in 1957. Mario scored KOs over Alex Bollaert, Cohen and Ugo Milan.

Masahiko (Fighting) Harada, the first Japanese bantamweight king, ranks after D'Agata in the KO averages with 22 stoppages in 63 tries, Harada, who was flyweight king before becoming a bantam, won the 118-pound diadem by decisioning Eder Jofre in 1965. Harada lost his crown to Lionel Rose, also by decision, in 1968. The Japanese southpaw scored KOs over Pone Kingpetch (to win flyweight crown) and Katsutoshi Aoki.

Sixto Escobar still is a national hero in Puerto Rico, the big stadium in San Juan being named for him. The popular scrapper held the crown twice, first winning it in 1936 from Tony Marino.



EDER JOFRE

After losing it to Harry Jeffra in 1937, Sixto regained it from Jeffra in 1938, holding it until forced to vacate in 1940 due to weight problems. Escobar, who boxed from 1931 through 1940, stopped Baby Casanova, Joey Archibald, Marino, Indian Quintana and Nicky Jerome.

Robert Cohen, from Bone, Algeria, became titleholder by defeating Chamrern Songkitrat for the vacant crown in 1954. Cohen lost it to Mario D'Agata in 1956. Cohen, who stands 16th, with 14 KOs in 43 contests, holds KOs over Maurice Sandeyron, John Kelly and Roy Ankrah.

Baltazar Sangchilli, from Valencia, Spain, captured the title from Panama Al Brown in 1935, but lost it a year later to Tony Marino on a 14-round kayo.

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George Foreman has just clipped Luis Faustino Pires with a hard right to the jaw during their bout at New York's Madison Square Garden. Foreman was awarded a four-round TKO when the referee halted matters as Pires was unable to continue.

Pires, a deep gash under the left eye and his left arm in a sling, rests in a hospital following his loss to Foreman. Luis' arm was fractured during the fistic action.

FOREMAN NOT SPECTACULAR STOPPING PIRES IN FOUR

By SAM TAUB

ONE of those fights Madison Square Garden has been putting on while it battles quietly for a sensible reduction of New York State's tax on boxers, brought together George Foreman and Luis Faustino Pires, of Brazil.

Foreman, 23, is rated the No. 3 contender behind Cassius Clay in the heavyweight class. Pires is not rated. He is 33.

The match lasted only four rounds, chalked up as victory No. 32 for Foreman. For Pires, it was setback No. 8 in a checkered career which doubtless will lead to his total absorption in the business of being a cop to which he now gives time between fights.

Interest in the fight was concentrated in the degree to which Foreman had progressed, or retrograded. The general decision among the experts was that he had not progressed. He missed a lot and his timing was not good. He admitted after the fight, "I have much to learn." Pires agreed.

The fight public did not take to the match, as only 6,801, paid $39,042.

The fight was ordered stopped by Dr. Edwin Campbell, the state commission doctor at the ringside, after Pires' left eye had been decorated by a nasty gash. They could not have gone on much longer as the South American had injured his left arm. The Brazilian weighed 214¾ and Foreman hit the beam at 215.

The undercard was dull. Dennis McNamee, heavyweight from Pawtucket, R.I., unbeaten, with 18 victories, stopped local Jimmy Harris in the first round.

Bob Bozic, Toronto, made it nine straight by outpointing Jersey City's Bob O'Melia in six.

Kevin Pantalow, New York, stopped Tom Kocan, New York, in three.

BOB BY TKO IN 8

Referee Manny Gelb halts matters in the eighth round, awarding the light heavyweight title contest to champion Bob Foster (right) over game Tommy Hicks at Scranton, Pa.

Foster Skilled, Hicks Game, Fans Enthused

By JOHN ORT

SCRANTON, Pa.—Not so merrily does Bob Foster roll along as light heavyweight champion of the world—despite Vicente Rondon's counter claim—unable to make a real financial killing.

Foster's latest achievement, such as it was, came with an eighth round TKO against Tommy Hicks, who retained the distinction of not having been decked by anybody.

Foster had the boxing class, Hicks had the gameness, and between them they gave the 3,229 onlookers a run for their money.

Foster and Rondon have to settle their rivalry, in which the Venezuelan lost ground with a not-so-hot win against Gomeo Brennan in Miami Beach.

There being little incentive ahead of Foster, outside of the chance to clear Rondon from his path, Foster is having trouble in retaining championship form. He'll be 30 in April.

The light heavyweight title is getting tarnished. Insofar as any importance to the boxing picture as a whole is concerned, the division might as well not be in book.

Hicks fought through the seventh round with a lacerated right eye and then referee Manny Gelb decided that Hicks needed help and the fight was over. An ovation went to the loser.

After the fight, Hicks had 14 stitches embroidered in his wound.

Hicks returned to his home in Lockport, N.Y., undaunted if blemished. Foster hit the air for his home in Albuquerque, ready for the next call, ad interim. Bob has stopped 37 men in 50 fights, a loser only to heavyweights.

The fight followed the blueprint. Hicks, squatty, got to Foster's body and Foster did not like it. Before long Foster had to resort to his jab. And before long Hicks began to bleed and lose rounds.

That there will be a Foster-Rondon fight is the assurance emanating from Houston, which is developing big fistic aspirations.

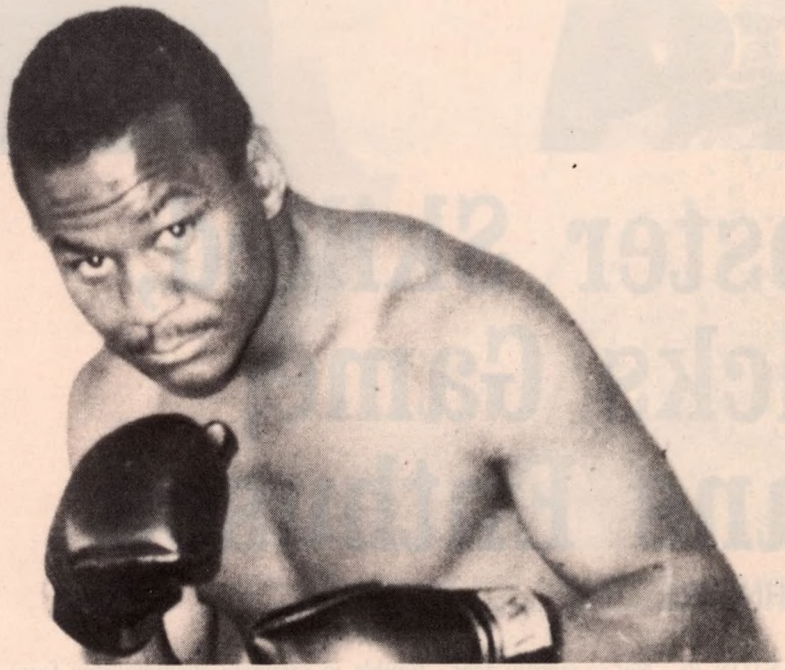
However, Houston needs time to recover from the mismatch between Clay and Mathis.

Rondon would like to fight Foster in Caracas, but the American will not risk his title in Venezuela. There have been developments which make Foster's caution necessary.

There have been some careless operations by referees around the world and all champions have adopted a policy of self protection against unskilled and astigmatic officials.

Foster swings a right to the face of Hicks as blood streams from the challenger's eye in the second round.

Napoles Still Champ Despite N.Y. Ruling



Jose Napoles, welterweight king, whose title recognition was withdrawn by the New York State Athletic Commission. No other boxing body has followed suit.

By DAN DANIEL

JOSE Napoles, the welterweight champion of the world, has fought Billy Backus, of Syracuse twice. The first time, in Syracuse, Napoles lost the title in four rounds. In their second encounter, in the Inglewood, Calif., Forum, Napoles recovered the championship with a four-round knockout.

There apparently was to be a third meeting. But it appears unlikely that it will take place if the Backus interests demand Napoles' reappearance in Syracuse.

Because of certain involvements having to do with the Mexican's failure to show in Syracuse, the New York Commission—Eddie Dooley, Chairman—has announced that it no longer recognizes Jose as the world champion, and orders an elimination tournament to fill the so-created void.

Investigation having failed to back up the New york Commission, and in pursuance of this magazine's 50-year-old dictum that worl titles are won and lost only in the arena, The Ring continues to recognize Napoles as welterweight champion of the World.

It appears that after Backus had won the title from Napoles, a contract was entered into stipulating that if, in their second meeting, Napoles regained the title, he would defend it, within 120 days, against a boxer to be chosen by the Canastota (N.Y.) Boxing Club, in Syracuse.

Under this agreement, which might as well have named Backus as Canastota's choice, Jose and Billy were to meet on or before October 4, 1971.

While Canastota accuses the Napoles interests of breach of contract, the champion counters with a telegram which he says was sent to Canastota, which reads as follows:

"Jose Napoles ready to defend his welterweight against Billy Backus for Canastota Boxing Club on or before October 4th, 1971 as per rematch contract, following conditions as per rematch contract.

1—$67,500 to be deposited in name of Jose Napoles in a bank in Mexico City 20 days prior to October 4, 1971.

2—Four first class round trip air tickets, Mexico City-Syracuse-Mexico City.

3—$2,000 expense money to be paid Napoles before he leaves Mexico City.

4—Three hotel rooms and food for three persons to be paid by promoter.

5—Three officials to be selected from New York City.

This telegram was signed by Jose Napoles, Alfredo Cruz, Cuco Conde, and, for lawyer Paul Caruso, Roger Leighton.

The situation would appear to promise a legal wrangle. The Ring is not interested in this phase of the situation. It does not admire the mention of a contract for a return match, which is against the rules everywhere.

In any event, The Ring will continue to recognize Jose Napoles as the welterweight champion of the world, until such time as he is beaten, or retires from boxing.

Let it be noted that the telegram to Canastota stipulates that the referee and the two judges must come from New York city.

The official decision of the World Boxing Association, in its refusal to support the New York Commission, comes from president Bill Brennan, based in Richmond, Va. He informed The Ring of this action in the following letter:

"Pursuant to our telephone conversation I am sending copies of correspondence received from the California Lawyer with reference to the Napoles-Backus situation.

"With Ed Dooley taking action he announced two days ago, along with his invitation to promoters and managers to take part in an elimination tournament, we might wonder just whom he expects to participate in such a tournament.

"So far as the World Boxing Association is concerned, we will not even consider the New York Commission's action in their withdrawal of Napoles title recognition.

Personally, I feel that Dooley's action was not in the best interest of world championship boxing."

FEDERAL INCOME BITE OF 30 PERCENT ON FOREIGNERS ADDS TO PROMOTERS' WOES

By NAT FLEISCHER

BOXING in the United States in general, and in New York in particular, has become a special target of the Federal and New York state tax people.

The state of New York exploded a bomb shell when, the day following the Frazier-Clay fight in Madison Square Garden, its tax grabbers took $348,000 from each boxer, on a 14 percent basis. This, of course, exclusive of the Internal Revenue tax.

Now comes an edict from the Federal Internal Revenue Service imposing an immediate 30 percent withholding tax on any foreign boxer or wrestler performing in the United States.

With a Federal bite of 30 percent taking immediate effect, and a 14 percent New York State impost operating at once, there would appear to be tremendous handicaps for Madison Square Garden in its efforts to sign up foreign stars.

In addition to the Federal and state taxes in New York, there is a New York City tax. Then comes the manager's bite of 33 percent.

In short, the life of a fighter, even a world champion, has become loaded with financial problems. The tax people are voracious no end, and the outlook for help is not bright.

Many promoters blame the Frazier-Clay $5,000,000 pay for the outbreak of tax explosions.

The full effect of the Federal explosion is explained in this announcement:

"Washington, D.C.—Purses won in the U.S. by boxers and wrestlers who are nonresident aliens are subject to 30 percent withholding for federal income tax, the Internal Revenue Service said today. Such purses are compensation for personal services and are therefore not exempt from withholding.

"Changes in withholding under the Foreign Investors Tax Act of 1966, such as the exemption for certain business-related income, do not relieve promoters of their liability to withhold tax, the IRS said. They are required to deposit the 30 percent tax withheld with a Federal Tax Deposit Form 512 in an authorized commercial bank or in a Federal Reserve Bank.

"Amounts withheld are reported by the promoter on an annual withholding return, Form 1042, together with the statement of income paid to nonresident aliens, Form 1042S, filed with the Director of International Operations, Internal Revenue Service, on or before March 15 of the following year.

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"If the foreign boxer or wrestler is a resident of the U.S., he may file a residence certificate, Form 1078, with the promoter as evidence of his status. Promoters are not required to withhold from purses of resident aliens filing Form 1078. Instead, purses of $600 or more should be reported on an information return, Form 1099.

"Forms and additional information may be obtained from local IRS offices or from the IRS Office of International Operations, Washington, D.C. 20225.

W.B.A. Chief Trying To Clear Up Light Heavy Mess

IN an effort to clear up the light heavyweight championship muddle created by its disqualification of Bob Foster and elevation of Vicente Rondon, the World Boxing Association is making vigorous efforts to get them together in a ring.

Bill Brennan, president of the WBA, with offices in Richmond, Va., has informed The Ring of his efforts to match Bob and the Venezuelan, and reports the receipt of an offer of $50,000 to Rondon.

Nothing is said, in the offer, about payment to Foster, the assumption being that Rondon is the dictating champion. The Ring recognizes Foster as the titleholder.

The $50,000 offer to Rondon's manager, Felix Zabala, came to Brennan in a letter to Felix from Dewey Fragetta, a booker of boxers based in New York. The letter follows:

"Dear Felix: I want this offer to go on record. I have been authorized to offer Vicente Rondon $50,000.00 plus three expenses for a title defense against Bob Foster.

"The bout would be 15 rounds at 175 pounds. The promoter agrees to have one official from Venezuela. I will try to have this match staged in a WBA location. If not, the WBA will nominate one official.

"This purse to be all inclusive. Since neither Rondon or Foster are box office attractions, the promoter will need all outside ancillary rights to pay this purse, expenses, officials, and Foster, plus other costs.

"This is a good, legitimate offer, and the date will be on or about Feb. 7/14th, during that period, whenever the proper location and arena can be closed."

Brennan says, "We have been trying with every means at our disposal to get Rondon and Foster into the ring to settle the light heavyweight situation. Along those lines, I have a copy of a bona fide offer to Rondon of $50,000.00 plus to fight Foster. I have checked out this offer and am assured the money is definitely available. Now all we can do is wait and see.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–CASSIUS CLAY, Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–JERRY QUARRY, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–GEORGE FOREMAN, Hayward, Calif.
4–OSCAR BONAVENA, Argentina
5–MAC FOSTER, Fresno, Calif.
6–JIMMY ELLIS, Louisville, Ky.
7–FLOYD PATTERSON, N.J.
8–JOSE LUIS GARCIA, Venezuela
9–JACK BODELL, England
10–JOE BUGNER, England

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1–VICENTE RONDON, Venezuela
2–PIERRE FOURIE, South Africa
3–ANDY KENDALL, Portland, Ore.
4–CHRIS FINNEGAN, England
5–MIKE QUARRY, Los Angeles, Cal.
6–JIMMY DUPREE, Jersey City, N.J.
7–BRIAN KELLY BURDEN, Cushing, Okla.
8–CONNY VELENSEK, Germany
9–PAT O'CONNOR, Rochester, Minn.
10–GOMEO BRENNAN, Bahamas

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–BUNNY STERLING, England
2–EMILE GRIFFITH, England
3–DENNY MOYER, Portland, Ore.
4–JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER, France
5–RODRIGO VALDEZ, Colombia
6–BENNIE BRISCOE, Philadelphia, Pa.
7–RAFAEL GUTIERREZ, Mexico
8–KOICHI WAJIMA, Japan
9–MIGUEL de OLIVEIRE, Brazil
10–EUGENE HART, Philadelphia, Pa.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–ERNIE LOPEZ, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–ADOLPH PRUITT, St. Louis, Mo.
3–MARCEL CERDAN, France
4–ROBERT GALLOIS, France
5–HEDGEMON LEWIS, Detroit, Mich.
6–ARMANDO MUNIZ, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–THURMAN DURDEN, Los Angeles, Cal.
8–BILLY BACKUS, Syracuse, N.Y.
9–SANDRO LOPOPOLO, Italy
10–NATE ROBINSON, Los Angeles, Cal.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina
1–BRUNO ARCARI, Italy
2–JOAO HENRIQUE, Brazil
3–JOHNNY GANT, Washington, D.C.
4–EDDIE PERKINS, Chicago, Ill.
5–JEFF WHITE, Australia
6–JIMMY ROBERTSON, San Francisco, Cal.
7–PACO FLORES, Phoenix, Ariz.
8–CARLOS GIMENEZ, Argentina
9–RODOLFO GONZALEZ, Long Beach, Cal.
10–EAGLE SATO, Japan

JERRY QUARRY FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THE winter season is well under way around the world and as forecast last month, the action has been plentiful. Foremost activity among heavyweights was the Cassius Clay gallop in the Battle of the Bulge with Buster Mathis and the smashing knockout of Jack Bodell, rated Englishman, by Jerry Quarry in one round.

The win not only boosted Quarry to number two among the world's heavyweight contenders but also won for him Ring Fighter Of The Month honors.

Jack Bodell has dropped in the ratings as a result of his loss to Quarry, with Jose Luis Garcia climbing to eighth position and Bodell and Joe Bugner rounding out the rated 10 in ninth and tenth spots, respectively.

A new face shows up among the light heavyweights of the world with Pierre Fourie, of South Africa. Unable to make the middleweight limits, Fourie has shifted, to become contender number one among light heavyweights.

Jimmy Dupree, due to his loss to Mike Quarry, slides from the second slot to sixth while Quarry climbs to fifth position. Conny Velensek, on losing ways as is Gomeo Brennan, have moved down to eighth and tenth spots, respectively.

The middleweight rankings got really shook up with Fourie leaving the class. Bunny Sterling, of England, fresh off wins over Luis Rodrigues and Tom Bogs, climbs to the top of the middleweight roost with Emile Griffith, loser to the champion, retaining his number two spot and Denny Moyer clinging to precariously number three. Carmelo Bossi leaves the enchanted circle due to his loss to Koichi Wajima of Japan, who enters the rankings as the eighth-rated 160-pounder. Miguel de Oliveire from Brazil, with five straight wins, joins the select groupings, in ninth.

The welters saw a lot of action with Adolph Pruitt edging past Marcel Cerdan by virtue of his knockout over Raul Rodriguez to gain second place. Cerdan is now third.

Raul Soriano, inactive recently and knocked out in his recent outing is dropped from the rankings and Nate Robinson leaves the Junior welter ratings to take over tenth among the welters. Thurman Durden and Sandro Lopopolo move up into seventh and ninth spots, respectively.

Bunny Grant leaves the rated junior welters, due to inactivity and makes room for Eagle Sato, of Japan, the new number 10 man. Carlos Gimenez, moves up to eighth and a new face shows up in ninth, Rudolfo Gonzalez of Long Beach, Calif.

The lightweights find Pedro Carrasco precariously clinging to his number one spot after a highly controversial decision over Mando Ramos, who makes the ratings in tenth place as a result of his strong showing and his win over Ruben Navarro. Percy Hayles lost his hold among the rated 135-pounders, due to inactivity.

The junior lightweights took a real shaking up with Jose Marin, number two man, taking the long slide to sixth as a result of being iced by Alfonso Frazier.

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1971

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KEN BUCHANAN, Scotland
1–PEDRO CARRASCO, Spain
2–ISMAEL LAGUNA, Panama
3–ANTONIO PUDDU, Italy
4–SHINICHI KADOTA, Japan
5–AL FORD, Canada
6–ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
7–ALFONSO FRAZIER, Panama
8–RAYMUNDO DIAS, Brazil
9–CHANGO CARMONA, Mexico
10–MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALFREDO MARCANO, Venezuela
1–FRANKIE OTERO, Miami Beach, Fla.
2–FRANKIE CRAWFORD, Los Angeles, Cal.
3–UGO POLI, Italy
4–WILLIAM MARTINEZ, Nicaragua
5–JOSE LUIS LOPEZ, Mexico
6–JOSE MARIN, Costa Rica
7–RENE BARRIENTOS, Philippines
8–YOSHIAKI NUMATA, Japan
9–SAMMY GOSS, Trenton, N.J.
10–HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan

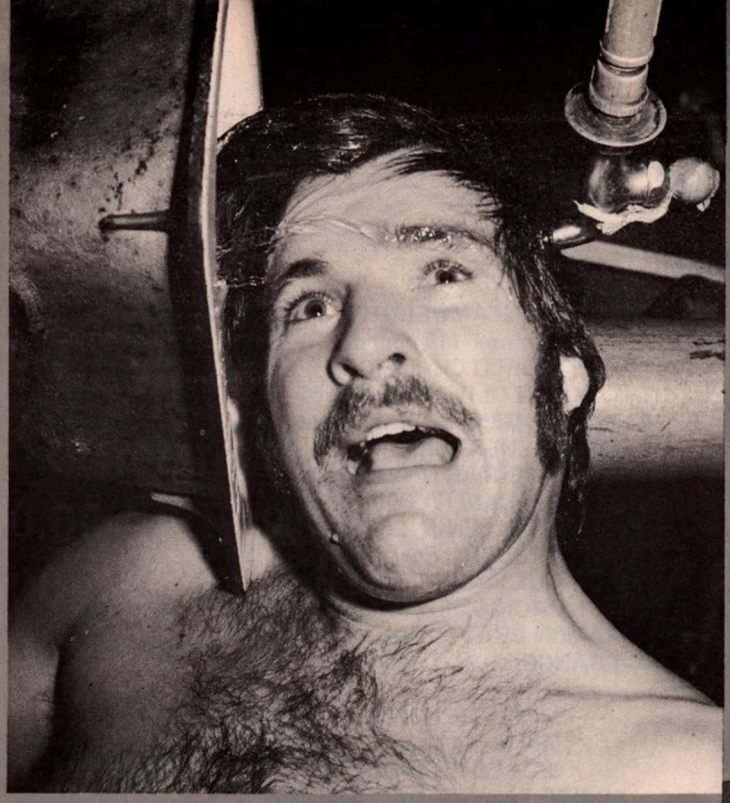
FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KUNIAKI SHIBATA, Japan
1–ANTONIO GOMEZ, Venezuela
2–RICARDO ARREDONDO, Mexico
3–EDER JOFRE, Brazil
4–ERNESTO MARCEL, Panama
5–SHOZO SAIJYO, Japan
6–VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico
7–TAHAR HASSEN, Tunis
8–BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
9–JOSE LEGRA, Spain
10–CLEMENTE SANCHEZ, Mexico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico
1–JESUS PIMENTEL, Los Angeles, Cal.
2–RAFAEL HERRERA, Mexico
3–RODOLFO MARTINEZ, Mexico
4–CHUCHO CASTILLO, Mexico
5–AUGUSTIN SENIN, Spain
6–ALAN RUDKIN, England
7–ENRIQUE PINDER, Panama
8–OCTAVIO GOMEZ, Mexico
9–RAMON BRAVO, Venezuela
10–FRANCO ZURLO, Italy

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ERBITO SALVARRIA, Philippines
1–MASAO OHBA, Japan
2–BETULIO GONZALEZ, Venezuela
3–SERVILLO de OLIVEIRE, Brazil
4–VENICH BORKORSOR, Thailand
5–LORENZO GUTIERREZ, Mexico
6–MIGUEL CANTO, Mexico
7–RICARDO DELGADO, Mexico
8–FERNANDO ATZORI, Italy
9–FERNANDO CABANELA, Philippines
10–ORLANDO AMOROS, Panama

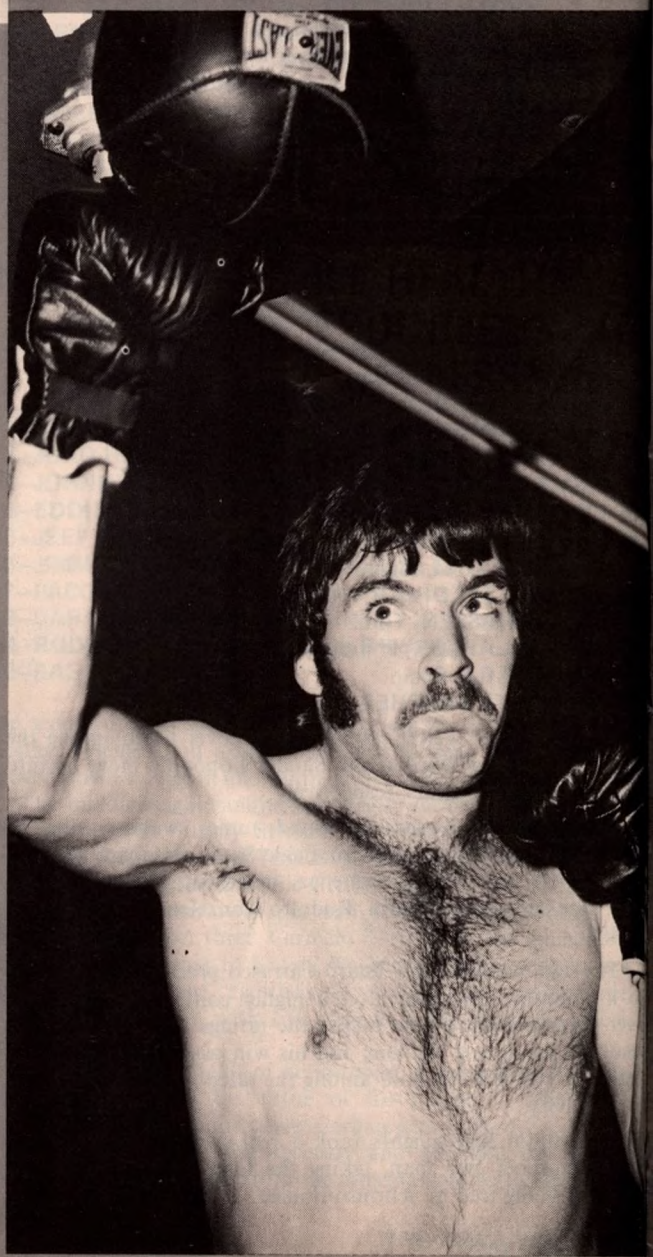
PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Name	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Paul Solomon	7/70	8	6	1	1	6
San Francisco, Calif.						
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Len Harden	7/71	5	5	0	0	5
Portland, Me.						
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
John L. Sullivan	2/71	5	5	0	0	4
Seattle, Wash.						
WELTERWEIGHT						
Johnny Rico	7/70	13	12	1	0	7
Tucson, Ariz.						
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Mike Mayan	1/71	9	7	2	0	1
Los Angeles, Cal.						
FEATHERWEIGHT						
J. e Medrano	4/70	7	7	0	0	6
Mexico						
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Fernando Bustos	3/70	6	5	1	0	3
Colombia						
FLYWEIGHT						
Enrique Torres	4/71	7	7	0	0	3
Panama						



Stabbing After N.Y. Fight Calls For Changes

By SAM TAUB



Pictured above and on the right is Danny McAloon, New York welterweight, who received a unanimous 10-round decision over Jose Rodriguez at New York's Felt Forum. Following the decision for McAloon, who clearly won, a riot started which culminated in the stabbing of a security officer.

POLICING at fights in The Forum, which is part of the Madison Square Garden structure, is being investigated by Harry Markson, chief of the Garden Boxing Department, and other officials of that organization.

The probe was initiated after security officer Harry Wagner, age 67, had been knifed, almost fatally, after the contest in which Danny McAloon, New York welterweight, had received a unanimous decision over Puerto Rican Jose Rodriguez.

The decision was unanimous. There was utterly no question about McAloon's success. Referee Arthur Mercante and judge Harold Lederman saw it 6-3-1, and judge John Maschio voted 5-4-1.

Nevertheless, the announcement of the decision was followed by a riot in which seats were burned, many others ripped and overturned, a general situation of danger created, and Wagner was stabbed.

The question now arises—how much protection did the fans get from the 21 security officers who were on duty?

One of the 21 looked on and said that he would not risk his life "for the kind of money I am getting."

If this attitude was general among the 21, the fans, writers and officials were protected by 21 uniforms.

That Wagner is 67 years old raises the question of security officers' age. Is a man of 67 qualified to cope with a crazy mob?

Closer scrutiny of those who enter the Forum, and the Garden, obviously is necessary.

Closer policing of customers drinking themselves into a dangerous state of belligerency, and worse, also is necessary.

The public deserves safety. The Garden believes it is buying safety. Whatever is wrong demands immediate correction.

There was no inkling of trouble in the Forum when Benny Huertas, Brooklynite, 137¾, dropped a unanimous ten round duke in the co-feature to Saoul Mamby, 24 year old New York taxi driver. The scores were 10-0, 8-2 and 7-2-1 in favor of the winner.

Three fours rounded out the show. Heribito Cintron, New Yorker, 130½, scored a majority win over Salvador Ramirez, from Santiago, Cuba, 127. . .Juan Rivera, Puerto Rico, 149¾,

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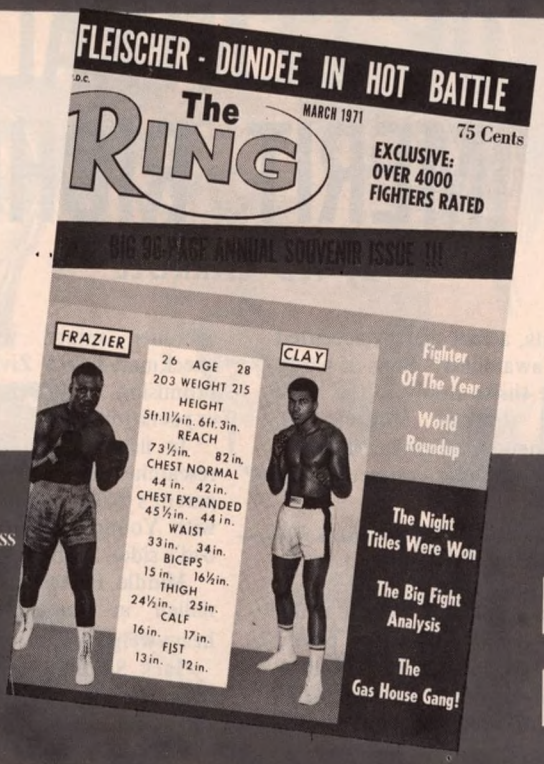
NEXT MONTH



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BOXERS OF CENTRAL EUROPE DESCENT MERIT RICHER GLORY

By TED CARROLL

OURS is a nation of immigrants, a fact sharply accented by the resurgence of "ethnic awareness". Sons of hardy imports from Central Europe thrive nobly in the bone cracking collision of professional football. Modzelewski, Wojciechowicz, Butkus, Nitschke, Nagurski, Csonka; all Slavic sounding names which connote the crashing contact of the gridiron.

Under the definition of Slav the dictionary brackets the following; (some) Russians, Poles, Serbs, Bohemians, Czechs, Slovaks, Croats, Slovenes, Yugoslavs, and "others".

The territory comprised is Central Europe, which could account for the Slavic preference for the centrally placed positions in the football lineups. Of late there has been considerable complaint by their groups about being overlooked in the general scheme of things in their chosen country.

While the super-abilities of Bronko Nagurski in football, Stan Musial and Carl Yastrzemski in baseball have received adequate recognition there is some justification to this Slavic demand for more strident recognition.

Experience has shown a sensitivity among the ethnic groups in the matter of credit being given their fighting men. Boxers of Central European extraction may well have been shortchanged.

For instance, recourse to the record books shows four former middleweight champions of the world of Polish background, the great Stanley Ketchel, Teddy Yarosz, Babe Risko and Tony Zale. One was a Czech, Al Hostak. George Chip, a Lithuanian, also merits listing among the greatest middleweights. Contemporaneous with Jack Johnson and Sam Langford, Ketchel was easily the greatest Caucasian boxer of his time.

Few fighters ever fitted the old cliche "credit to the game" more aptly than Tony Zale. The gentlemanly "man of steel" from Gary, Ind., whose three bout series with Rocky Graziano highlighted the post World War II period, still enjoys rare popularity with the public.

Yarosz, a vastly underrated boxer, defeated nine world champions, among them Billy Conn. Hostak, a Northwesterner, who recently retired after many years on a police force, was one of the most dangerous hitters among 160 pound champions.

Not enough attention has been paid the claim that boxing's most famous fighting family were of Slavic descent–the Croatian Zivics from Pittsburgh.

Fritzie, the only family titleholder, won the welterweight championship from ring immortal Henry Armstrong, enough to insure a lasting fame. Fritzie was also one of the most accomodating fighters who ever stepped into the ring.

He never cared what the other fellow weighed or what kind of fighter he was. He weighed 145 at his best, his foes ranged from rough lightweight champion Sammy Angott, through feared welterweights like Charley Burley and Tommy Bell.

Sugar Ray Robinson, middleweight Jake LaMotta and light heavyweight Billy Conn, world champions all–Fritzie barred nobody.

Fritzie Zivic was a good fighter but many old timers declare that brother Jack, a Jimmy Bronson protege, was better. A shoulder injury which never responded to treatment checkmated Jack Zivic's championship prospects. Eddie was a promising lightweight who never quite came up to expectations.

In listing great boxers of Central Europe extraction the researcher now and then runs into difficulties tracing to one parent's having come from an outside area. This was the case with Young Stribling, a great fighter, who was Polish on his dad's side–Striblingsky–and American on his mother's.

Middle Europeans have made the middleweight class their milieu in boxing but they can claim a former world heavyweight champion of Slavic extraction.

Jack Sharkey born Cucoshay, of Lithuanian descent, who began boxing into the navy calling himself Battling Ski won the world title in 1932.

Sharkey was a boxer of vast natural talent. New Jersey's Paul Cavaier, famed as a difficult sparring partner for former champions Joe Louis and Gene Tunney, once stated that of all his noted training camp opponents Jack Sharkey was the most gifted.

An erratic performer subject to temper tantrums, Sharkey's career was marked by controversy and surprising setbacks. One such was his loss to Johnny Risko whom he had beaten, a result which enabled champion Tunney to sidetrack Sharkey in favor of Tom Heeney.

Sharkey's match with Dempsey, which also cost him a crack at Tunney became one of the most controversial of the period when Sharkey's claim of foul was disallowed.

His meeting with Max Schmeling, in which the German won the championship had a confused ending when Schmeling's foul claim was upheld. Big Primo Carnera, to whom Sharkey lost the title, had given Sharkey little trouble in a previous match during which the temperamental Bostonian had attempted to jump out of the ring, charging that Carnera should have been counted out after being knocked down. The decision which won Sharkey the title against Schemling was also widely criticized.

However rough the seas which buffeted the battleships upon which he served, the saga of one time sailor Jack Sharkey was even stormier.

Polish Johnny Risko was so ruggedly resistant and resilient that he was known as the Cleveland Rubber Man. This, stocky, courageous heavyweight feared nobody. Old time fight manager Dan Morgan used to say "You could put Johnny Risko in a cage with a hungry lion and he would want to know whom he was fighting next."

From 1925 to 1935, Johnny Risko's record reads like a roundup of every top line heavy and light heavyweight then active. Tunney, Sharkey, Schmeling, Stribling, Paolino, Godfrey, Baer, Loughran, Delaney, Stribling; name him, and Johnny Risko fought him.

Some he beat, and some beat him, but he could always be counted upon to give it as strong a try as any man could. Johnny Risko never got a chance to fight for the world championship but he had a championship heart.

Probably the most promising Polish big man was New Jersey's Stanley Poreda. A protege of old time heavyweight

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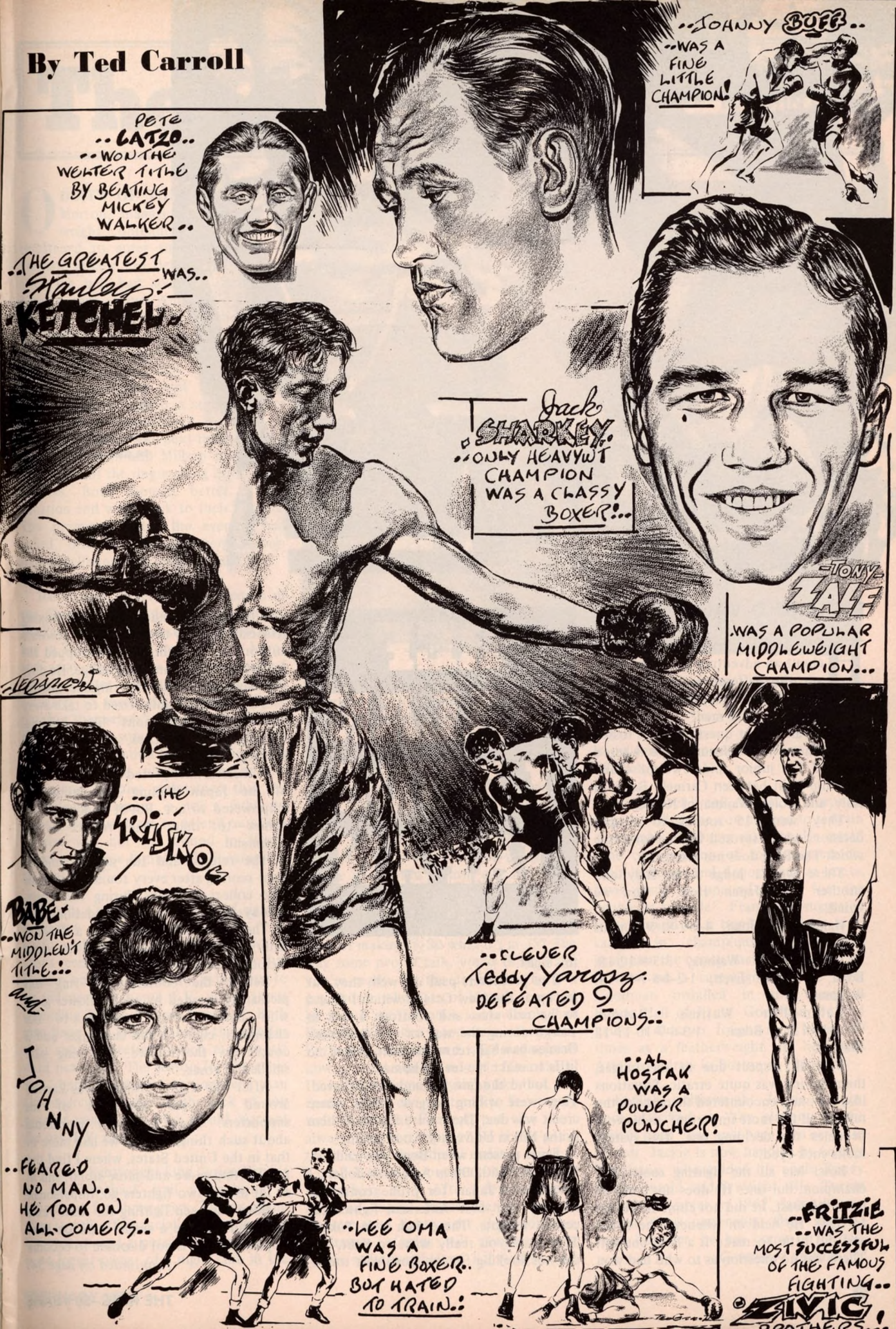
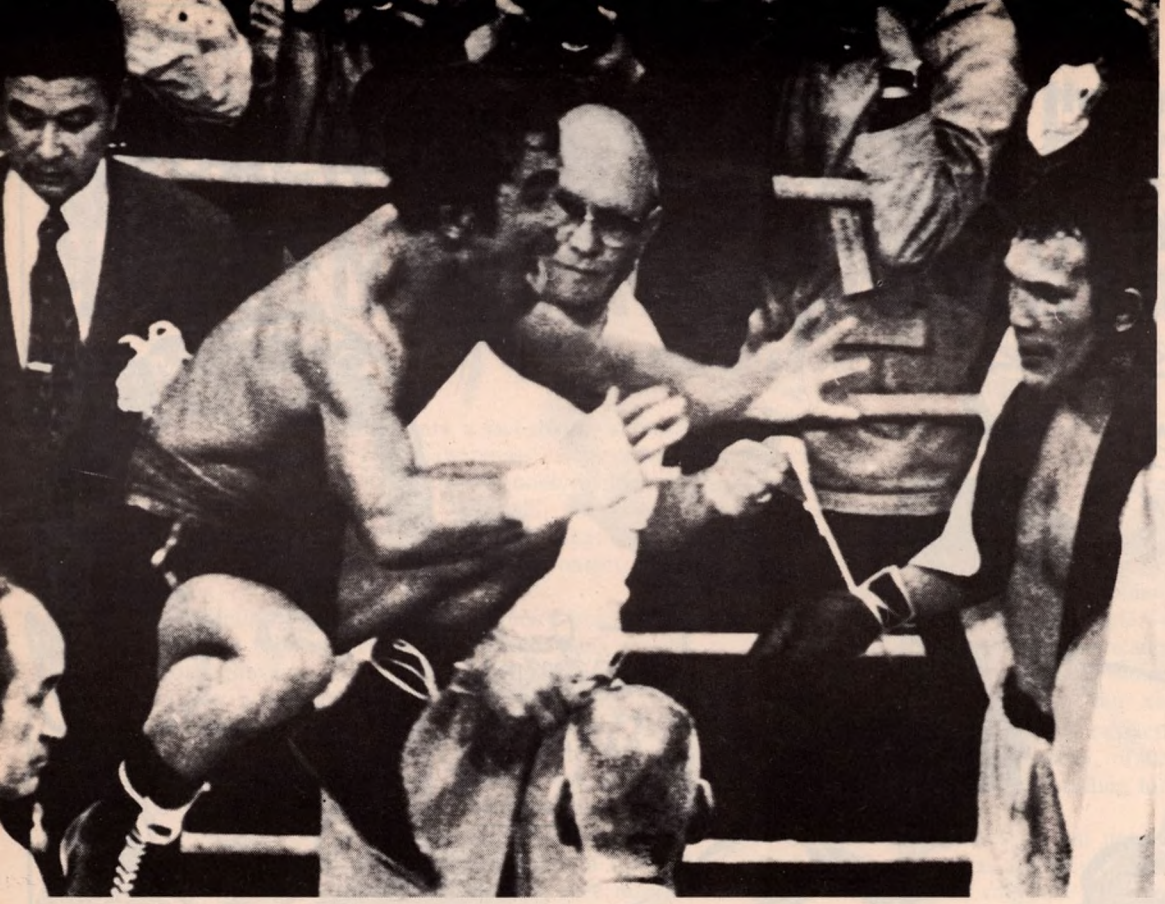
By Ted Carroll





Koichi Wajima jumps for joy after winning the junior middleweight crown via the decision over Carmelo Bossi (right) in Tokyo. Referee Harold Valan can be seen at lower left.

REF VALAN LAUDS JAPAN

By HAROLD VALAN

HOW does an American referee feel about an adventure in Japan? What are the differences in officiating over there? How do Japanese fans react to an American third man?

These and other questions were tossed at me on my return from Tokyo, where I refereed the junior middleweight championship fight between Carmelo Bossi, of Italy, and Koichi Wajima, of Nippon.

They went 15 rounds to a split decision, which favored Wajima for a title which The Ring does not recognize.

There was a judge from Italy and another from Japan. Here is how we voted:

Italian—For Bossi, 4-5-7-8; 9 rounds even. Bossi.

Japanese—For Wajima, 3-5-9-12-15; Bossi, 8-10-11. Even, 1-2-4-6-7-13-14. Wajima.

Valan—For Wajima, 1-4-5-8-9-13-14-15. Bossi, 1-3-6-7-10-11-12. Wajima.

With all respect due to the judges, their scoring was quite erratic. Situations like the one I encountered there make the referee all the more important, as his vote becomes the deciding one. The system looks cock-eyed.

Bossi has all the fighting tools of a champion, but one. He does not come to fight. At least, he did not come to Tokyo to fight. He held on whenever he could and did little to make it a hard contest. There was no question as to who had won this fight.

The promoters paid me well, they put me up at the New Ottami which I found to be real class and comfort. I was in Tokyo during the stay of the Baltimore Orioles baseball team and that helped no little to make me feel at home.

I found the fans fair and well behaved. They were willing to give credit where credit was due. There were 5,000 of them in the Nihon University Auditorium.

I was present when Bossi was paid off. No secret. $60,000 in American dollars. I recommend Japan for prime consideration by our best American fighters of certain weights. The dough is in Tokyo. That is, if you really want to fight, and are not looking for the Bossi soft touch.

I found that under the Japan Boxing Association rules the referee has absolute authority. If a fight is to be stopped the referee is the one and only judge. He does not have to consult the ringside doctor.

The referee is authorized to take away rounds for infractions like holding, butting, low punches, wrestling, and kicking.

If there is unexpected trouble, officials of the Japan Boxing Association are empowered to act. But it seldom if ever comes to that. The referee is in command.

The referee and the judges hand in their scoring after every round to officials who collect the slips during the recess. This system has its recommendations.

The fight I refereed was on a Sunday, with the main bout starting at eight o'clock. It was on national TV.

Before the contest, the ring was pleasantly invaded by pretty flower girls, who handed two bouquets to the champion, eight to the challenger and a couple to the referee. The ring sure smelled of roses.

After the fight, Wajima was carried around on the shoulders of his supporters. They are very emotional about such things. I wish we had more of that in the United States, where I find the fans getting more and more stolid, and in so far as the two fighters go, impersonal.

Bossi has been fighting for some years yet I did not see a single mark on him. Apparently, he is not disposed to become

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The Chatter Box

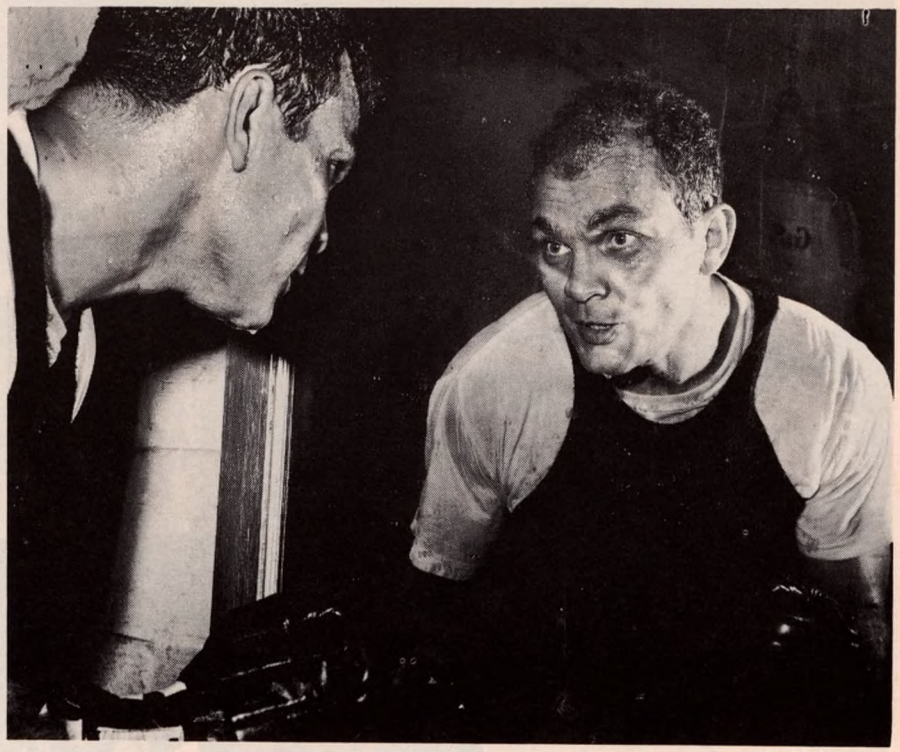
By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH—Mike Morton, manager of light heavyweight contender Andy Kendall, threatened to enter the pugilistic field himself. Mike's pro debut almost came after the bell had sounded during his boxer's bout against Amado Vasquez in Portland, Ore. The bell tolled the end of the tenth round but both boys failed to hear it, and continued punching. Morton jumped into the ring and grabbed Vasquez, preventing him from belting Kendall. Danny Millsap, a cornerman for the Mexican, then entered the scrap to defend his boxer. The next thing the fans saw was Morton and Millsap standing in the middle of the ring making threatening gestures. Both thought better of the situation and went back to their corners. The promoter, after the evening had ended, offered both managers a four-round preliminary on his next card.

Joe Crozier, general manager-coach of the Cincinnati Swords of the American Hockey League, has installed a punching bag in the dressing room for both home and away games. He has also retained United States Olympic coach Rollie Schwartz to teach the players to "look out for themselves". The reason for all this stems from some free-swinging brawls with the Nova Scotia Voyageurs in which the little Swords players were on the losing end. Crozier maintained that the self-defense program is not a publicity stunt. "We must learn to defend ourselves or else will not be around in March because of those lumberjacks kicking the hell out of us".

Cassius Clay is on the verge of signing a lengthy contract with a cable T.V. outfit, calling for a bout a month over a year's period. Heavyweight kingpin Joe Frazier, on the other hand, is listening to an independent home T.V. outfit about defending his crown on free T.V. Both men hope that this will hypo the gate for their second meeting, which may be off until next year. The reason for the cable and home appearances, rather than closed-circuit, is due to the lack of any popular contenders who would warrant the pay-T.V. market.

Former lightweight king Carlos Ortiz is on the comeback trail after being in retirement for three years. The ex-champion is well off financially with a thriving liquor store and a portfolio of stocks. He is no longer owner of a night club in the Bronx. The reason for his comeback, in one word, is "boredom".



Former lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz eyes himself in the mirror after a workout. Ortiz is embarking on a ring comeback and hopes to meet current 135-pound king Ken Buchanan in an attempt to recapture his old crown.

Ortiz states, "After fighting over 15 years, its been tough to fit into a new routine. You have all this time on your hands and you don't know what to do with it. This is why I started going back to the gym seven months ago and began working out regularly. This is no snap decision. When I look at the lightweights around now, the better chance I think I have of making it. So what if I'm 35? The way some people talk, you'd think at 35 you're ready for the coffin. Maybe if a guy didn't take care of himself it would be a bad age to make a comeback, but I've always taken good care of myself. I'm not kidding when I say I feel as good now as I did when I was 25. Financially, I'm not starving or anything like that. My family and I can continue to live pretty well with what I've got, but who can't always use more money? So if I'm going to fight, why shouldn't I make as much as I can? I recently bought a new home in Orangeburg, N. Y. After a few tune-ups I hope to engage Marcel Cerdan, Mando Ramos, then lightweight champion Ken Buchanan." Carlos will campaign as a junior welterweight and lightweight, and is no longer associated with ex-manager Bill Daley.

Ring writer Frank Allnutt, of Toronto, Canada, asked the commission to restrain cornermen at boxing matches. He stated "the carryings on of some cornermen, their language and deportment at bouts, have made it uncomfortable for the people at ringside". Frank also suggested there should be a bond posted by both camps in championship fights to guarantee the boxers make the weight. He is now on a campaign to have Tom Goodman installed in the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame. Goodman, 86 and living in Ontario, fought more than 200 times as a featherweight. He held Abe Attell to a draw in Boston in 1905.

English welterweight Jackie Turpin, once classified as "the playboy of the British rings" has now begun his career in earnest. Jackie is now handled by George Middleton, who guided his uncle Randy to the world middleweight title. Turpin started his career in 1967, faring poorly against so-so opponents. Over the last year, however, he has come on strong,

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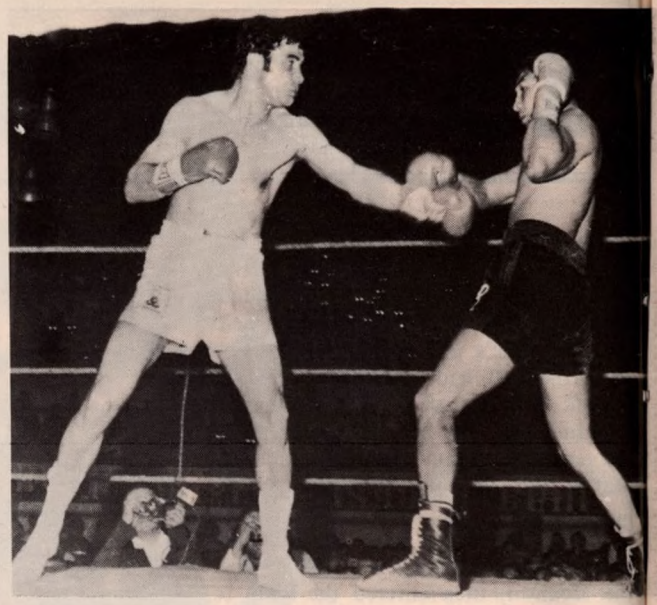
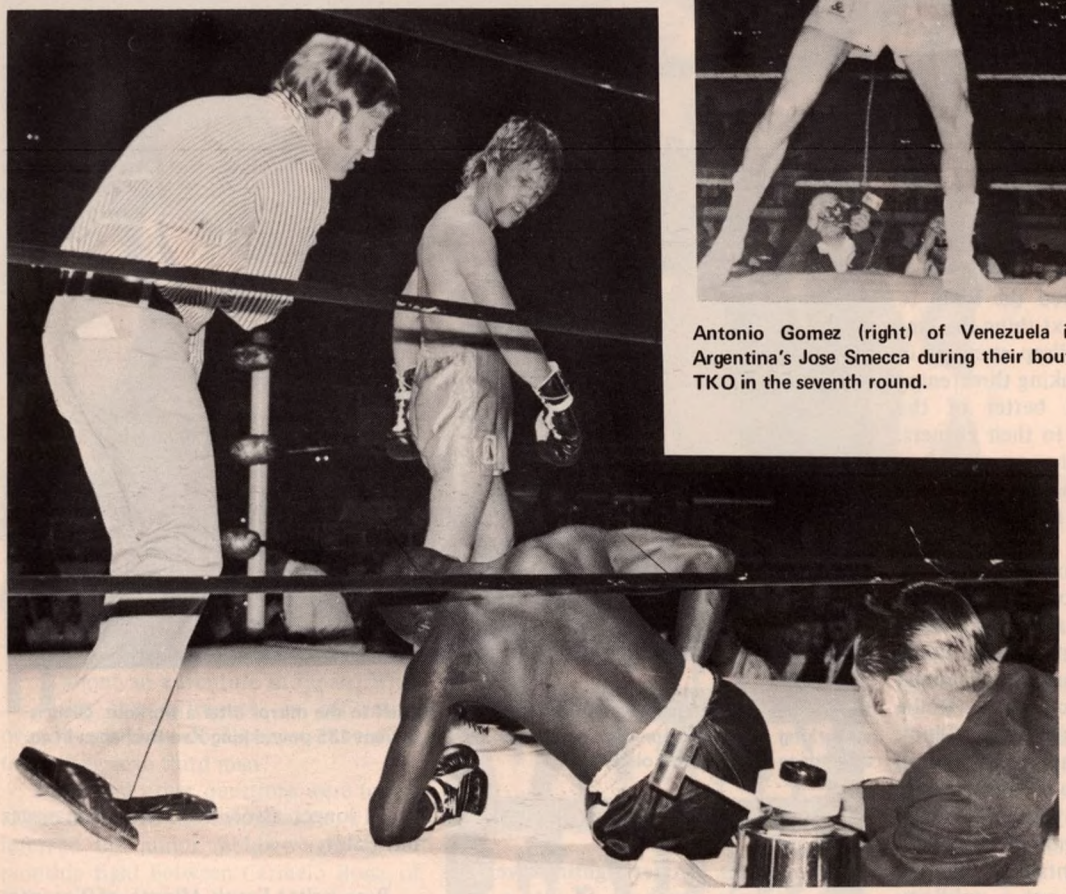
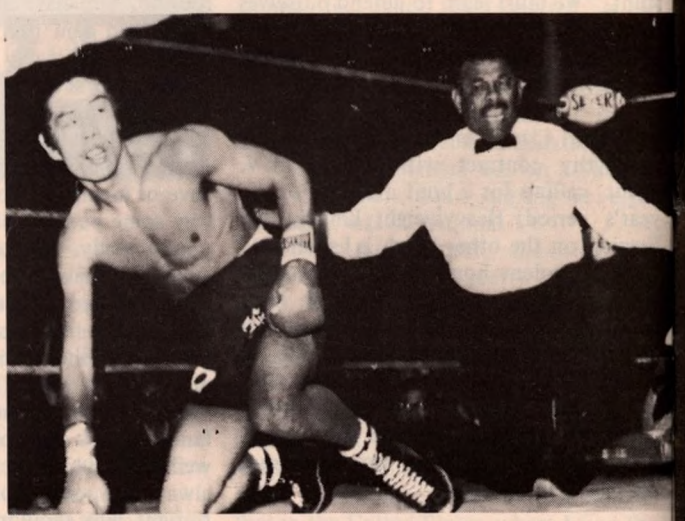


Antonio Gomez (right) of Venezuela is about to chop a left at Argentina's Jose Smecca during their bout at Caracas. Gomez scored a TKO in the seventh round.



Sweet Raymond Boyd, Houston's Pink Panther, takes a look at Connie Paley, whom he has just dumped for the 10-count in the third round at Houston as he strides to a neutral corner. The referee is Chris Jordan, the timekeeper is Virgil Reichardt.



(Left) Bantamweight king Ruben Olivares sends Kazuyoshi Kanazawa to the canvas during the 14th round of their title contest at Nagoya, Japan. Olivares retained his crown by flooring the Japanese challenger three times in that round. (Above) Japan's Kenji Iwata struggles to rise after being sent to the canvas by junior lightweight champion Alfredo Marcano in the fourth round of their Caracas, Venezuela bout. Marcano scored a KO a few seconds hence.

Ex-British and European heavyweight champion Joe Bugner sweeps pretty Wendy Croom, the British European Airways Personality Girl for 1972, off her feet at today's International Motor Show at Earl's Court, London.

Some boxing veterans gather together at the Los Angeles Elks' Club and pose for the camera. Left to right are: Suey Welch, former promoter and manager; Tom Gallery, former sports director for the National Broadcasting Company; Tod Faulkner, who fought under the name of Kid Mexico in the 1920s; Inglewood Forum promoter George Parnassus; and veteran manager Tommy Farmer.

Q & A QUESTIONS ANSWERS

Q. Was Georges Carpentier a real heavyweight the day Jack Dempsey knocked him out in four rounds? How did Rickard steam up interest in this mismatch, and why did the boxing writers go for it as the Battle of the Century?

Forrest Faribault
Minneapolis, Minn.

A. **Carpentier wasn't even a light heavy that afternoon. His true weight wasn't even 166 pounds. Rickard was a wizard with the old ballyhoo and was able to talk up interest in what became a million dollar fight which deserved little real attention as a fight. Actually, the match was a hoax. Carp hit Jack one telling blow.**

Q. Abe Attell was a world champion. But in which weight group did he hold the title? From whom did he win it, to whom did he lose it?

Sherman Oates
Dallas, Tex.

A. **Attell was the world champion in the featherweight class. He won the vacant championship with two fights against George Dixon. At Cripple Creek, Col. on October 20, 1901, Abe fought Dixon 20 rounds to a draw. They met again, in St. Louis, 15 rounds, on October 28, 1901, and Attell gained the decision and the title. He lost the championship on February 22, 1912, when he was outpointed by Johnny Kilbane in 20 rounds at Vernon, Cal. Criqui took the title from Kilbane and Dundee won it from the Frenchman.**

Q. We used to have a lot of Jewish fighters here in New York. Now they tell me there isn't even one in the business. Were they wiped out in some epidemic, or whatever?

Harry Feldman
Jamaica, N.Y.C.

A. **There appears to be only one full-time Jewish boxer in the entire world—Max Cohen, of France, who fought Emile Griffith in New York not so long ago. Cohen lost. Then Griffith was knocked out by Monzon. There aren't many Irish left in boxing, either. No epidemic. Just better livings in other pursuits for the general run of material.**

Q. When and where are Frazier and Clay going to fight again? Is there any chance that they will meet this Winter?

Crane Delbert
Morristown, N.J.

A. **There is no telling when and where they will meet again. Both camps seem to be inclined to delay. The reasons are set forth as they develop, in The Ring.**

Q. In the 1920s we had a fighter in New York named Bushy Graham. He was a good fighter. I always believed he was Irish, and after all these years I am told he was of Italian lineage. Settle this bet. Do I lose my dollar?

Jim McCarthy
Brooklyn, N.Y.

A. **Jim, you lose. Graham is of Italian extraction, original name Angelo Geraci.**

Q. Is Bud Taylor still around? Was he ever knocked out? My dad says he saw Taylor whip Tony Canzoneri? Is this really in the book?

Terry Fogarty
Terre Haute, Ind.

A. **Taylor, a great little fighter, died in Los Angeles in March 1962. In June, 1927, Taylor beat Canzoneri for the NBA bantam title. Taylor was knocked out by Joey Sangor, 1928, 7 rounds; Jimmy Kelly, 1922, 6 rounds; Earl Mastro, 1929, 9 rounds; Benny Bass, 1931, 2 rounds.**

Q. I am told that when Panama Al Brown was the bantaweight champion he was more than six feet tall. Is this true? I don't believe it could have been possible.

Billy Probst
Albuquerque, N.M.

A. **Brown stood 5 feet 11 inches in height and was as close to a human skeleton as we have had in boxing. Doubtful if he ever weighed more than 118 pounds.**

Q. Do you have any record of a Japan fighter name of Shoji Ishikawa? He fought some in the U.S.

Shoji Harada
Los Angeles, Cal.

A. **Our information on Shoji is meagre. Jesus Pinmentel knocked him out in one round on November 5, 1970, in Los Angeles. Teddy Doi stopped him in three rounds in Honolulu last year.**

Q. What has become of Boone Kirkman? Has he retired?

John J. Graham
Tacoma, Wash.

A. **Kirkman apparently has retired. No fight this year. No fight since November 18, 1970, when he was knocked out in second round by George Foreman, in New York.**

Q. There seems to be a difference of information on Foreman, his birthplace and the date. Also, in his prime was Clay faster than Patterson?

Stanley Hammond
Shiprock, New Mex.

A. **Foreman says he was born in Houston, Texas, on January 22, 1948. Clay was faster.**

Q. The Ring rates Corbett over Louis. What is The Ring heavyweight rating?

Abel Velazquez
Tampa, Fla.

A. **The Ring Magazine never has printed a rating of heavyweights. The Ring Record Book, Nat Fleischer picking, has it like this; Johnson, Jeffries, Fitzsimmons, Dempsey, Corbett, Louis, Langford, Tunney, Schmeling, Marciano. You take it, or you leave it. Again—The Ring Magazine never has published a rating of heavyweights, or any other class, of all-time.**

Q. The Ring Record Book says that McGovern stopped Gans in two rounds at Chicago on December 13, 1900. On several occasions I have read in The Ring that this alleged fight was not on the level. Should not there be a note in the Record Book explaining that the authenticity of the result is doubted? McGovern could not have stopped Gans in two rounds even if Gans had been dead.

Cal McMaster
Chicago, Ills.

A. **The official decision was a KO for McGovern in two. If we went through the Record Book with explanatory notes and asterisk editorials we might be guilty of many errors. The result of a fight is official on the decision, no matter what public opinion said in the aftermath.**

Q. What former lightweight champion was known as the Gentleman of the ring?

Mrs. Bob Peters
Sawk Centre, Minn.

A. **Benny Leonard**

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

BOBBY Gleason has been affiliated with boxing for 64 of his 80 years. He looks 50. Recently, the veteran manager and trainer announced that he is expanding his involvement with the sport to include the booking of fighters throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Mexico, Central and South America and Africa. His operation is known as Bobby Gleason International Boxing Enterprises.

The Gleason Gymnasium in the Bronx sector of New York is known as one of the finest in the Metropolitan area. Bobby began his career as a bantamweight back in 1908—and during six decades he has devoted his time as trainer, manager of feather champ Phil Terranova, matchmaker, promoter and fighter representative.

Gleason's reminisences take in the champs who at one time trained at his gym, from Jake LaMotta and Jimmy Carter to Carlos Ortiz, Cassius Clay and Dick Tiger.

Among the trainers who make Gleason's Gym their headquarters are Chickie Ferrara, Freddie Brown, Pat Colavito and Victor Valle. Bobby's own stable of boxers includes heavyweight Wendell Newton, lightweight Lloyd Marshall and welter Papo Villa.

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Speaking of Gleason, Phil Terranova reminds us of the dope about the fistic activity of himself and his brothers. Phil started as an amateur in the Golden Gloves at the age of twenty-one and went on to win the sub-novice novice class title in 1941. He was with the N.Y. Golden Gloves team in Chicago and later turned pro, winning his title in his thirtieth pro fight.

Phil was preceded by his older brothers, Frankie and Jack. They both had about 200 scraps. Then came brother Nat, who was managed by Bobby Gleason, and had about 20 skirmishes, of which he won 15.

The Terranovas included seven brothers and three sisters. Phillie is with Director Charles Gellman at the Jewish Memorial Hospital in New York.

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Recently The Ring had quite a yarn on Al Silvani, pal of Frank Sinatra, who has been travelling in Europe filling training jobs and looking after film assignments. Silvani, a top trainer of boxers, looked in splendid health as we met him in The Ring office.

Recalled he was with Jose Napoles when he met Yumado in Yugoslavia the first time they televised a fistic affair from behind the Iron Curtain. Now trains Tom Bogs, the Copenhagen middleweight.

Has two affiliations—boxing and movies, being assistant director with Barbara Streisand in "Funny Girl" and assistant director in "Paint Your Wagon" with Lee Marvin and Clint Eastwood. Also did a picture with John Huston called Fat City, as technical adviser. Has been in boxing since 1935, when he was affiliated with Whitey Bimstein and later

BOBBY GLEASON

with Ray Arcel. He trained Tami Mauriello, whom he knew from the amateurs and who was managed by Lefty Ramini. Tami had a shot at Joe Louis' heavyweight crown and what happened is ancient history. The round? No. 1.

Silvani said that Sinatra whose dad was a pro, was an exceptionally good boxer but gave up the sport to make a tremendous success as a singer. Al worked with Jake LaMotta and Rocky Graziano. His funniest recollection was when he tried to straighten out Floyd Patterson's back before his title scrap with Clay in Las Vegas.

Al's older brother, Joe, was a 180 pound heavyweight who thrice engaged Maxie Rosenbloom, and Battling Siki, both former light heavyweight kings; as well as Michael Ferrara, who was a stablemate of Luis Angel Firpo. Incidentally, Al's son, Carl Togo Silvani, former pro football player with the Washington Redskins, is supervisor of a chain of health clubs in Florida. Al is 61, and has been affiliated with boxing since 1923.

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Bobby Ruffin, once quite a scrapper among the lightweights, suffered a double tragedy when his dad, Teddy Hubbs, once a crack featherweight, and then his mother, Alice, both passed away. Ruffin, an exciting warrior, scored an upset over 10 to 1 favorite Beau Jack in Madison Square Garden.

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Tom Stanley, now at 4555 Sylmar Avenue, Sherman Oaks, Calif., called our attention to a story in our column about Jimmy Brown managing Jimmy Kelly. Jimmy Brown, according to Stanley, was Kelly's uncle and brought him to Tom to make all the matches. Recalls, in 1922, when he matched Kelly for a twelve round fight with the then welterweight king, Jack Britton, in Havana. When he returned to New York he opened an office in the Gaiety Theatre Building in association with Jimmy Brown.

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Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21, in Brooklyn, beat the gun for the annual dinners of the V.B.A. organizations, at Micali Terrace. Those honored were Artie DeLuca, Joe Mulli, Augia Pisano, Augie Parente, George 'Kid' Texas and Charlie Young. On the dais, were ex-bantam king Lou Salica, former welter and middleweight champ Mickey Walker, Phil Terranova, NBA feather boss, Rev. John Swartout, Charley Spena, president of World's Boxing Historians, Harry Barone, president of Ring #14, across the Hudson River in Jersey City, Adrian Bailey, head of the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame, Stan Poreda, a fine heavyweight in his day, little Joe Ryder and Solly Seeman, one-time California junior lightweight boss. . .Sammy Venti was the MC. . .Also on the dais were Chick McCormick, financial secretary, Horace McIntyre, corresponding secretary, Treasurer Joe

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PUNCH LINES

Frazier-Clay Market Cools

I am puzzled. After the Frazier-Clay fight I figured that they would take fast advantage of the hot market and put on their return fight within a reasonable time.

However, boxing procedures have changed. The fighters are too rich.

The Frazier-Ali market is cooling fast. Neither is in a hurry to enter the decisive affair. I would venture that both men were more seriously beaten than they have cared to admit.

Let's have it over with, to open up the heavyweight division. Now it is stagnating.

Farley Hawley
Los Angeles, Cal.

He liked Tunney Piece

My thanks to The Ring for the fine piece on Gene Tunney. I would like to read some more of his reminiscences and views. He has no ax to grind.

Jim Mayfield
Morgantown, West Va.

It is Nothing new

There is a lot of yammer, a lot of it in The Ring, because Frazier and Muhammad do not let go at each other.

The situation is nothing new. Remember how long Dempsey was out of action before he lost the title to Tunney in Philadelphia?

Dempsey met Firpo in September, 1923, and did not fight again until he met Gene in September, 1926.

This long layoff cost Dempsey the title. Beware, Frazier!

Frank Leoncavallo
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sorry, a Booboo!

Your October article on Jewish fighters referred to 26 Jewish claimants to world boxing titles but named only 24. Were the missing two Paul Berlenbach (light heavyweight champion, 1925-1926) and Alphonse Halimi (bantamweight champion, 1957-1959)? You included "Max Baer (paternal)" as a champion of Jewish extraction. Years ago, a prominent New York sports writer stated that Baer's alleged Jewishness was pure publicity stunt, to attract Jewish fans. Was that writer in error? You referred to Barney Ross as a "double champion" (welterweight and lightweight). Didn't he also hold one of the junior titles?

Charlotte Amalie
St. Thomas, V.I.

Editor's Note–That Berlenbach is a Jew is news to The Ring. Halimi, okeh. Baer, half Jew. Barney Ross held the lightweight, welter and junior welter titles. Sometimes we get forgetful about those junior championships.

He's For Fleischer's Ten

I would just like to say a few words in reference to some letters printed in your December issue of Punch Lines. All of the letters want Nat Fleischer to revise his top ten.

Some of these so called experts even have their own ideas who the Top Ten should be. These experts, most of them who have been following the sport for a long time (3 years!), are trying to tell Nat Fleischer, a real expert, in the sport for fifty years, just what's going on. That is a laugh!

Admirers and followers of Frazier and Clay are in a dream world saying they are the greatest this or that of all time. They are the best 1972 has to offer but certainly not as great as the fans believe them to be and certainly not to be compared with the Top Ten of the past.

Bernie Hamilton
Brockton, Mass.

From South Africa

When I saw the film of the "Fight of the Century" I couldn't believe my eyes. I saw Frazier in action. He's just muscular, powerful and that left hook. Smokin' Joe's not the good boxer the papers say he is. He uses his left hook as much as other boxer's use left or right jabs.

As for Clay I just don't know what had happened to him. He couldn't move, particularly in the eighth. He leaned against the ropes for almost the entire three minutes. Could it be that he was fooling around, or was he tired? Was 215 too much for him?

I figure Jerry Quarry is the only man to have given Frazier an uncomfortable fight in their June, 1969 elimination.

Raymond Baloy
Atteridgeville,
Pretoria, South Africa

Questions Note's Class

I read your fine magazine monthly and in general agree with your ratings, however I feel that you have erred in rating Nate Robinson as the No. 8 Junior Welterweight contender.

As far as I am concerned he is nothing but a third rater with a glass jaw who couldn't punch his way out of a paper bag. He recently turned down an offer to fight Armando Muniz because his manager felt he wasn't ready for him.

I am managing a fighter who destroyed Robinson in 3 rounds, and he is only a lightweight. His name is Walter Charles and if given a rematch he would knock out this bum again.

Print this and let the chips fall where they may.

R.L. Sivils
Lennox, Calif.

A Holler For Scotland

My good friend Frank Allnutt made a boo-boo in his recent article on the Summerhays Brothers from Brantford, Ontario, Canada, when he described Brantford as the "birthplace of Alexander Graham Bell", the inventor of the telephone.

Bell was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1847; and, as a proud Scot, I must uphold the honour that rightfully belongs to the land of the heather and the kilt.

There is a friendly rivalry between Frank. . .who originally hailed from London, England. . .and myself; and he frequently ribs me about my Scottish antecedents.

Stick to boxing, Frank; and dinnae trample on the thistle, ye Sassenach!

Tommy Miller
Ottawa, Canada

Louis Over Corbett?

I can't see why The Ring places James J. Corbett over Joe Louis in all-time ratings, Louis had 71 fights, 68 wins, 27 title bouts, and a KO percentage of .761. Corbett had 33 fights, only 20 wins, 5 title bouts, and a KO percentage of .273. I'm not saying Corbett was bad, but I think that the Bomber was better. He had to break the color barrier on his way up, and once he was champion he fought all comers. Joe deserves better.

Bart Brotsos
Chicago, Illi.

A Stiff Is a Stiff!

Please, oh please, on my bended knees and on the big file of old Rings I have collected, stop playing up Frazier and Muhammad. They don't deserve all that attention. They should fight again soon but they won't. They are loaded with dough and taking it easy.

Matthew Fortner
Missoula, Mont.

BOXERS OF CENTRAL EUROPE DESCENT MERIT RICHER GLORY

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Joe Jeannette. When Poreda won successive decisions over Ernie Schaaf, Primo Carnera and clever Tommy Loughran back in 1932 he seemed to be on his way. But something went wrong and nothing materialized. Poreda's win over Carnera had some intriguing sidelights. Conspicuous among the witnesses of the fight in Newark N.J. was Jersey City Mayor Frank Hague, Democratic boss of the state. This was an election year and his Polish constituency had high hopes for home town hero Stanley Poreda.

When the decision in Poreda's favor was announced, Carnera's Italian rooters set up a howl to high heaven but Bill Duffy, heading the big man's board of strategy, was strangely silent. After all Major Hague could use those Polish votes and there always had been a spirit of co-operation between the Broadway boys and the poo-bah of Jersey City.

Leo Lomski, out of the Northwest, a light heavyweight looked like a potential champion when he came East back in 1927 and defeated Maxie Rosenbloom. He got his chance at the 175 pound crown against Tommy Loughran a year later. He dropped the Philly Phantom in the opening minutes but Tommy rose, and for the rest of the route handed out one of his famous boxing lessons.

Another New Jersey heavyweight, Paul Swiderski, a fair prospect at one time, figured in a much discussed mixup long ago. Swiderski met Mickey Walker during Derby week in Louisville Ky., a time of general celebration in Derbytown. If there was no celebration around, rollicking Mickey Walker and pleasure-mad Manager Jack Kearns would make their own; so when one came ready-made this play-boy pair would become immersed in the merriment, and the devil take time sleepers.

Before Walker fully realized where he was, he was on the floor with Swiderski standing over him. Up and wobbling, the ring canvas slammed against his back again as Swiderski blasted away. Disaster seemed imminent, but then the bell rang. Walker's handlers piled into the ring and dragged his limp figure into the corner.

Who rang the bell? The identity of this gong clanger is one with the culprit who threw the overalls in Mrs. Murphy's chowder. One thing has been established. It wasn't the timekeeper, because the round was little more than half over. No doubt somewhere master con-man Jack Kearns is busily convincing the Angel Gabriel that, for heralding the end, a ringing bell has it all over the blast of the trumpet.

One of the best of the Polish fighters was Pete Latzo, of Scranton, Pa., one-time welterweight champion of the world. An all-around athlete in his youth, Latzo, who had a fighting brother Steve, could have made it as a baseball or a basketball player. But he chose boxing.

Latzo did a most unusual thing. He won the 147 pound championship from Mickey Walker in 1926 and lost it to Joe Dundee the following year. Skipping the 160 pound division, he ballooned into the light heavyweight class. His campaigning in the larger division was not overly successful but he did get two chances to win the 175 crown, losing a pair of decisions to titleholder Tommy Loughran.

Fighting at an inflated weight and for too long, Pete Latzo's last years in the ring did little for either his health or his record but he will be remembered as a fine welterweight.

Rough hewn, blocky Bingo Joe Banovic, Binghamton, N.Y., long-time light heavyweight pride of confrere Jersey Jones was a smaller sized Johnny Risko who stirred up plenty of trouble for the better 175 pounders of 35 years ago.

Shortly before the start of the second World War, Jones came up with an outstanding young heavyweight prospect in Charley Keechuk but the war checkmated the chances of this upstate New Yorker, as it did so many others.

Central Europeans tend to big boned sturdiness, consequently they are rare in the smaller classes. Johnny Buff, bantamweight titleholder in the Twenties, their stellar representative among the little fellows.

Acting in accordance with the name changing custom of other immigrant groups Polish boxers adopting Irish names in the interests of pronounceability, have become difficult to identify in the record books. For example, Wildcat O'Connor, a welterweight of the late 30s, was of Slavic descent. There have been many others.

While Risko-like ruggedness has been regarded as stereo-typical of Polish heavyweights Lee Oma proved a sharp departure from this misconception. A marvelous boxer for a big man, Oma's unusual skill first came to light when, weighing 160 pounds, he won an institutional heavyweight championship. But the light-hearted Lee could not reconcile his carefree capers with the Spartan life success in boxing requires.

Considered a serious heavyweight threat at one time, not even the exhortations of Manager Tex Sullivan or the ample rewards promised could keep good-timing Lee on the straight and narrow path towards the heavyweight title.

At almost any period there is usually a standard bearer of Slavic origin operating in the heavyweight division. For the past decade George Chuvalo, a Canadian of Croatian descent has provided stubborn opposition for the best in this class.

Probably the toughest heavyweight who ever lived, Chuvalo has never been knocked off his feet. One of the few to come out of a heavyweight novice tournament to gain success—and a lot of money—in the ring, Chuvalo had his chance to become champion when he met Muhammad Ali in 1966.

George made a strong showing in 15 rounds but proved unequal to the task of offsetting Clay's great speed and skill. Since then Chuvalo has taken on all comers including Joe Frazier, to whom he lost. An intelligent chap, he has resisted the efforts of many—including his own family—advising him to call a halt to a career which, while note-worthy has been far too gruelling, especially for an easy bleeder.

In sports "Middle Europeans" have been claimed by the relative anonymity of the "middle" of the football lines and middleweight boxing in contrast to the spotlight attracted by the flashier gridiron positions and the glamorous heavyweights.

When the limelight is shifted to the less advertised chores in sports, people whose forebears hailed from Central Europe come off very strongly, giving their frequent charges of lack of recognition some validity.

BODELL'S 64 SECOND KO BY QUARRY MAKES BRITONS WANT COOPER BACK

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the British, Commonwealth and European champion, since Quarry was not eligible for the succession.

It has been suggested that heavyweight fighting be suspended in Britain until such time as Henry Cooper can get back in shape and pull a Joe Louis comeback. (Just a joke, men!)

Usually a heavyweight championship fight, whatever the title, has its round by round.

This one had its second by second. The opening bell sounded, Bodell offered a tentative punch, Quarry offered a not so tentative wallop, and then, at 1 minute, 4 seconds, the Californian let go a right to the chin.

Bodell hit the deck with a thud, and it took him 30 seconds to reopen his eyes and realize what had hit him.

Bodell's handlers helped him to his feet and he staggered into his corner, dazed, and discombobulated no end.

American stars planning to pick up some easy money here now find the market in utter confusion. There is nobody here worthy of a match with Frazier, Clay, Foreman, Quarry and some lesser lights. Who knows? Maybe Mathis, as well.

OLIVARES BEST BANTAM BELTER

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Sangchilli, No. 17 with 24 KOs in 77 outings, fought from 1929 through 1939. He stopped Nicolas Petit-Biquet, George Butcher and Jimmy Martin.

Eddie Cannonball Martin became bantam king by defeating Abe Goldstein in 15 rounds in December, 1924. Three months later, Martin was an ex-champion as he dropped a 15-round nod to Charley Phil Rosenberg. Martin, 18th in the ranking, stopped 27 of 90 foes in a career which extended from 1922 through 1932. Eddie knocked out Sammy Nable, Bobby Wolgast and Johnny Curtin.

Bushy Graham was born Angelo Geraci in sunny Italy, but did much of his boxing in upstate New York. Graham received world recognition by the New York State Athletic Commission when he defeated Corporal Izzy Schwartz in 15 rounds for the vacant crown in 1928. Bushy gave up his throne, however, in April, 1929, when he outgrew the class. In 127 outings, Graham scored 37 KOs from 1922 through 1936. He stopped Pete Zivic thrice, Sammy Nable, Johnny Farr, Pete Nebo and Orville Drouillard.

Harry Harris, the Human Scissors, is 20th among the 118-pounders. Harris, a native of Chicago, won the vacant title from Pedlar Palmer in March, 1901, then gave up all claims to the crown to fight as a featherweight. Harris scored 15 KOs in 54 outings.

Johnny Coulon reigned as bantam king from 1910 until 1914. The Toronto-born glove artist stopped 24 of his 96 opponents from 1905 through 1920. He knocked out Jim Kendrick, Harry Forbes and George Kitson twice.

Kid Williams is the gent who stopped Coulon for the title. The Kid, born John Gutenko in Copenhagen, Denmark, fought 204 times, stopping only 48 of the enemy in a career which extended from 1910 through 1929. Williams stopped Coulon and Eddie Campi twice.

Lionel Rose, who retired earlier this year after losing to Yoshiaki Numata in 15 rounds, totaled only 11 KOs in 47 bouts since he started his career in 1964. He holds knockouts over Rocky Gattellari and Vicente Garcia.

New Yorker Abe Goldstein won his title by outpointing Joe Lynch in March, 1924, then lost it that December to Eddie Cannonball Martin. Goldstein, with 30 KOs in 129 contests, ranks 24th among all his peers. He scored KOs over Willie Spencer and Patsy Wallace.

Behind Goldstein is Harry Forbes, who captured the vacant title via a 15-round verdict over Casper Leon in 1901. Forbes lost the diadem when he was stopped by Frankie Neil in 1903. Harry scored 30 KOs in 130 contests from 1897 through 1913. He kayoed Dan Dougherty twice, and Joe Cherry twice.

Harry Jeffra, born Ignacius Pasquali Guiffi, in Baltimore, held both the bantam and featherweight titles. His .225 mark on 27 KOs in 120 contests enabled him to finish 26th among the bantams as against 24th in the feather ranks. Harry stopped Nicky Jerome and Lou Transparenti.

Charles (Bud) Taylor captured the vacant N.B.A. title via a 10-round triumph over Tony Canzoneri in 1927, then gave up the crown in 1928 to perform as a feather. Taylor, who fought from 1920 through 1931, stopped 35 of 159 opponents. He halted Frankie Jerome, who died after the bout, Young Nationalista, Chick Suggs and Phil Zwick.

Joe Lynch was twice bantamweight king, winning the crown the first time in 1920 from Pete Herman. After losing it back to Herman in 1921, Lynch regained his precious title by stopping Johnny Buff in 14 rounds in 1922. Joe became an ex-titleholder in 1924 when he lost to Abe Goldstein. Lynch, who stopped 29 of 134 opponents from 1916 through 1926, knocked out Goldstein, Jack Sharkey and Buff.

George Dixon, the Little Chocolate of boxing history, won the bantamweight crown in 1890 by stopping Nunc Wallace in the 18th round. Dixon soon outgrew the division, gave up the crown and went on to win the feather title. George's KO percentage of .200 puts him in 29th position among the bantams, whereas he was No. 25 among the feathers. Dixon, who fought from 1886 through 1906, and a member of the Boxing Hall of Fame since 1956, scored KOs over Wallace, Abe Willis, Fred Johnson, Jack Skelly, Solly Smith and Spike Robson.

The ill-fated Tony Marino had a short-lived career. He began in 1931, and fought until he suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and died on Feb. 1, 1937 following a loss in eight rounds to Indian Quintana. Marino was only 25. He won the crown via a 14-round KO of Baltazar Sangchilli in June, 1936. In his very next appearance, against Sixto Escobar in August, Mariono lost his title on a 13-round stoppage. Tony scored only seven KOs in his 40-bout career.

Joe Bowker, an Englishman, whose real monicker was Tommy Mahon, won the crown on a 20-round verdict over Frankie Neil. Outgrowing the division by 1905, Bowker gave up the title. No. 31 in the KO percentage, Bowker stopped only eight of 51 opponents.

Lou Salica, a New Yorker, racked up 13 stoppages in 90 contests in a career that lasted from 1933 through 1944. Salica gained title recognition first by defeating Georgie Pace in 1940, then conquering Tommy Forte in 1941, Salica reigned until 1942 when he was beaten by Manuel Ortiz. Among Salica's 13 KOs were those over Jackie Jurich and Small Montana.

Johnny Buff, a Perth Amboy, N.J. boy, ranks 33rd among the bantams via 13 KOs in 94 bouts. Buff, who won the crown from Pete Herman in 1921, lost it to Joe Lynch in 1922.

Pete Herman, a native of New Orleans, who still resides there at age 75, is a life member of the Louisiana State Athletic Commission. He has been blind for many years. Twice bantam king, Herman, one of the best all-time boxers, was far from a knockout artist as can be seen by his record of having halted only 19 of 148 opponents. He did, however, halt Jimmy Wilde, Willie Spencer and Packy O'Gatty. Herman won the title from Kid Williams in 1917, then dropped it to Joe Lynch in 1920. In 1921, Herman regained the crown from Lynch, only to lose it to Johnny Buff two months later.

Charley Phil Rosenberg, real name Charles Green, is another New York City native who captured the bantam crown. Rosenberg defeated Eddie Cannonball Martin in 1925 for the title, keeping it until he was unable to make the weight for a bout with Bushy Graham in 1927. The title was declared vacant. Rosenberg, author of seven KOs in 64 outings for a .109 percentage, fought from 1921 through 1929.

Low man on the totem pole with a .100 KO mark is Jimmy Walsh, bantam boss from 1905, when he defeated Digger Stanley for the vacant throne, until he outgrew the class in 1907. Strangely, Walsh, who fought from 1901 through 1915, though racking up only 12 KOs in 120 bouts, scored six of them in one year—1904. He was to score only two more in the next 11 years.

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Let's not forget the birthday party tossed in Jack Dempsey's by Jimmy O'Connor for veteran newspaperman Ned Brown, and Pearl "Cookie" Barton. Among those present were former bantam king Charley Phil Rosenberg, Tommy Loughran, great light heavyweight champ, Charley Rose, Johnny Brannigan, now a newspaper correspondent up New York State, and former fistic star from Yonkers, Johnny Gaito. Loughran had just come to the city from Philadelphia. He still is in his home town but retains his quarters in the New York A.C. Told us his only manager, the late Joe Smith, was a great little flyweight, who weighed about 103 pounds, but had 301 pro fights and would have been 83 years old.

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Mickey Shaw, onetime heavyweight and now in the booking business, has followed through with shows—where the late Horace McMahon put on regular get togethers for the boys at Green Haven Prison in Stormville, N.Y., Father Edward J. Donovan presided. What tickled Mickey was that he was notified that he had been made a life member of Green Haven. Mickey recently celebrated his 57th birthday at the Drug and Chemical Square Club at the New York Masonic Temple.

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About Johnny Brannigan and Johnny Gaito, Brannigan was a pro boxer from 1915 to 1923, had about 90 fights, and was managed by George Blake, pilot of Fidel LaBarba and Jackie Fields. Brannigan later managed Johnny Gaito. Brannigan does a column for the Narrowsburg News Times, is 70, married and has two children. During the last two years of Attell's life he looked after the once great featherweight king.

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Gaito, out of Yonkers, was a feather and lightweight who saw action from 1926 to 1936. Among those he boxed were Al Singer, Lou Ambers, Jack 'Kid' Bernstein, Sid Terris and Lew Massey. His trainer, Mushky Jackson, now is with Madison Square Garden. Married, has three sons and seven grandchildren, including thirty year old twins. Now 61, Gaito was the National amateur bantam champ in 1928 and had more than 100 amateur and 70 pro skirmishes.

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Great little bantam of yesteryear, Johnny Gannon, was managed by the late Jack Bulger, who had, among other stars, welter champion Mickey Walker, Charley Weinert and Harold Farese. Bulger passed away after a long illness. Johnny was a charter member of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21 of Brooklyn and up to two years ago was Second Vice President. Memorial services, which were attended by Berlenbach, Lou Salica, and 20 other members of Ring #21, were most impressive. Sammy Markowitz made the eulogy.

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The night a few beligerents recently rioted at the Felt Forum, when Don McAloon decisioned Jose Rodriguez, a Garden security staff member was Teddy Lukowski. When Harry Wagner was knifed outside of the Forum, it was Teddy who jumped out and aided his stricken friend back into the place.

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Congratulations to ex-heavyweight king, Jersey Joe Walcott, who recently was elected Camden County Sheriff. Arnold Cream (Walcott) won by more than 8.000 and thus became the first black sheriff in New Jersey. . .Julius Helfand, once head of rhs New York State Boxing Commissioner, announced he was retiring as a Criminal Courts judge because of conditions in the courts. Helfand, 67, was appointed in 1961. . . .

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Allie Clark, one time detective and fight manager, sends word that his former lightweight star, Ludwig Lightburn, is teaching several amateurs. Clark visited his onetime charge at Joe DeMaria's gymnasium in the Bronx, bringing back the following report: "Lightburn is a quiet and courteous chap as you well know. It afforded me great satisfaction to see what an expert boxing instructor he has turned out to be. It was a treat watching Lightburn working with the kids."

BUCHANAN BREAKS WITH THOMAS, FINANCES INVOLVED

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lightweight title. They broke, Kresch said here recently, when Laguna became a little headstrong about his championship, and began to like an easier life.

"I let him go without protest," Kresch said. "I did not need him."

Laguna now is managed by Cain Young, former real estate tycoon from Brooklyn.

One of the biggest breaks came when Floyd Patterson fired Cus D'Amato, who taught Floyd as an amateur, leading to the boxer's Olympic championship success, and on to the world heavyweight title and a fortune estimated at more than $3,000,000 currently. Cus recently filed a petition in bankruptcy.

The team of Cleveland Williams and Hugh Benbow fell apart, while The Cat still was rated a contender, because Cleve's bride figured Hugh wasn't worth a third of the fighter's take. Later Williams fell apart.

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THAT FANDANGO IN HOUSTON LEFT MATHIS CRYING AND CASSIUS MOST COMPASSIONATE

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betting price on the fight. Not even 100 to 1. The gamblers figured it as a nothing fight. It turned out to be one.

Expert trainers question the wisdom of Clay's plan of life as he awaits the big rematch. They say that the longer he waits, the worse will be his chances.

However, the fact remains that Clay cannot come to dinner with Frazier until Joe sends out the invitation.

Frazier, too, may be waiting too long. They say he is determined to establish himself and his Knockouts as a big act on the nightclub circuit before he resumes serious training.

His Knockouts manager is desperate in his protestations that Frazier's European tour was a complete flop. He says he is ready to produce figures to prove that the safari was a success. But a Ring review of the tour and attendances has failed to deny original impressions. Joe may be a big draw with his Knockouts in the U.S., but he is not in demand in Europe.

New York has not given up hope that it will be able to settle its state income tax hassle as it affects visiting fighters with big guarantees.

Harry Markson says that efforts to make the tax people reasonable—they grabbed $348,000 from both Frazier and Clay—are advancing and Madison Square Garden's boxing department is on a firm footing.

Harry hopes to show George Foreman against a formidable opponent in the near future. Luis Pires, from Brazil, was a joke, especially since he had injured a hand in the first round.

There is a strong belief in some quarters that the time has come for Foreman to fight somebody worthwhile. Markson would be inclined to see George test himself against Jerry Quarry but the general belief is that Foreman is not ready for the man who stopped Jack Bodell with one punch.

What to do with heavyweights when they reach the stage of development in which Foreman now finds himself is a serious problem. Note what happened to Boone Kirkman against George and Mac Foster against Jerry Quarry.

There is some question about Foreman's punch. If there is serious doubt among the experts, he would do well to wait some more. Whether waiting with KOs against stiffs is of doubtful perspicacity. However, that is something for Markson, Teddy Brenner, Dick Sadler and Foreman to talk out. Sadler remains cautious.

It has not made our heavyweight leaders happy that the British field virtually has been padlocked to them.

The defeat of Joe Bugner by Bodell, and the one round KO of Bodell by Quarry, have left the British with two possible attractions, heavyweight Danny McAlinden and light heavyweight Chris Finnegan.

The British fight public has been left stunned, and is in no mood to contribute to the bankrolls of outstanding U.S. heavyweights.

Both Frazier and Clay had designs on Bugner, but he made the mistake of being whipped by Bodell. Then they eyed Bodell, who didn't last enough for a couple of cups of coffee.

Perhaps American fans should give better considerations to native heavies like Ron Stander and Ernie Shavers.

However, the failure of these men to show outside of their home areas is no boost to their reputations.

Nor is our old pal Floyd Patterson inclined to leave his hermitage in New Paltz, N.Y. We may look for little help from Jimmy Ellis or the erratic Oscar Bonavena, whose match with Patterson lingers on the Madison Square Garden schedule.

American students of the heavyweight situation would like to see Jose Luis Garcia, of Venezuela, show in New York. He has a rating among the Top Ten and should be required to justify it.

REF VALAN LAUDS JAPAN

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engaged in disfiguring contention.

I was amazed by the reverence—yes, that is the word—in which Nat Fleischer is held by the Japanese fans, and by the strength of The Ring's influence and circulation. I saw The Ring for sale on all newsstands.

The fight was under the promotional skill of Richie Inouye, who was the most courteous director of boxing I have encountered in my many years of refereeing.

Boxing has achieved a high standard in Japan. It has a boxer population of amazing numbers. The system of boxer development and direction is unlike that seen in any other country and is worthy of a story all to itself.

However, there are features of this system, honest, which the Japanese apparently do not wish to circulate world wide.

Japanese television has a far more important role than TV has in American boxing.

Of course, Japan boxing labors under a tremendous handicap. It has no heavyweight or light heavy, it has only a few middleweights and welters.

The smaller men hold the center of the ring and in the United States, heavyweight-ridden, that condition would be fatal.

SHIBATA HAS CLOSE CALL IN DRAW WITH MARCEL

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Tokyo, Japan—The big talk in Nippon boxing is about Kuniaki Shibata, the featherweight champion of the world, and his draw with Ernesto Marcel of Panama.

Escaping a defeat—and not by a big margin, either—was very important for Shibata.

In order to fight Marcel, at Matsuyama, he had to pay Mexican promoter Enrique Cesna $100,000 to release him from a contract to fight Clemente Sanchez, in Monterrey.

In any event, Shibata paid the $100,000 and then came close to blowing the title.

There was a South Korean referee, Yung Soo Chung, in the Shibata-Marcel fight. It now is the fashion here to bring in referees from other countries.

The referee called it 72-69, for Shibata. Judge Ryojn Kashiuagi voted 71-65 for Marcel, and judge Nobimitsu Inukai handed in a slip calling for a draw, 71-71. It was a toss-a-coin decision.

Marcel made fine use of his advantage in reach. Shibata tried desperately to discount this advantage but the Panama entry caught him coming in and punished Kuniaki about the body but the Argentinian used his superior footwork to fend off one attack after another, and to make Shibata apprehensive about the title he won so impressively by stopping Vicente Saldivar.

Marcel thought he had won the fight. When he heard the decision he smiled, paraded around the ring, and threw smiles at the fans, with whom he made quite a hit.

Last June, Shibata stopped Raul Cruz in one round. But against the merry Panamanian, Shibata lacked the condition and skill he had shown against Saldivar and Cruz.

Not because of easy life. A champion is not allowed to have an easy life in Japan. He has got to keep in top shape, under the watchful eyes of Japan Boxing Association and television officials. TV has a big say here.

The Shibata-Marcel fight lacked a knock-down. There were no lacerations. But it was a fight, and a lucky one for the champion, who is not likely to invite a rematch.

What with Shibata beating Marcel, and Koichi Wajima winning against Carmelo Bossi, this has been a very interesting interlude for Japan boxing.

STANDER SENDS CROWN HOME IN THREE HEATS

By ROBERT J. RUIZ

Omaha, Neb.—With a tiny Confederate flag emblazoned on his trunks, Iowa heavyweight Ron Stander needed just three rounds to dispose of Jesse Crown, Portland, Maine. A remarkably good turnout of 5,270 paid $21,388.50 to see a fight that wasn't expected to last very long (and didn't)...The Confederate flag did not fly

After a layoff of nearly two months, the "Bluffs Butcher" was heavy at 235 but much too strong for Crown, 215. Not that Jesse didn't put up one whale of a fight. He waded right into Ronnie with both fists blazing and by the time the first round was over, Stander had suffered cuts over both eyes.

Stander, who cuts easily, fought the remainder of the bout with gore streaming down his face. When he started to unload the heavy artilary, there was no question of the issue. A left hook knocked Crown into the ropes and down for a count at 1:33 of the third.

However, there was some dispute of a quick count, and the fans voiced disaproval at the sudden ending. It appeared that Crown had beaten the count but the referee insisted that it was over. There would have been little point in going on in, any event, as Jesse was out on his feet.

Crown's record moved to 26-11 while unbeaten Stander goes to 20-0-1. He is scheduled to fight in Madison Square Garden in New York in a few months.

Local Morris Jackson, 221, had too much firepower for Dean Oswald, 198, Mich. who retired after two rounds. Sgt. Gene Coon, Offut Air Force Base, drew against Frank Formaro.

Des Moines middleweight Chuck Hernandez scored the biggest surprise on the card by stopping Dick Pelster after three rounds due to an eye cut. Local Mike Reed TKO'd Harold Brown, Houston, in five.

JERSEY JONES ELECTED BY VETERANS THIRD TIME

Hartford, Conn.—A precedent was established at the convention of the National Veteran Boxers Association here when Jersey Jones was reelected president for the third straight year.

. . Previously, no president had served more than two one-year terms.

Tony Morgano, Philadelphia Ring 1, nominated the entire slate of officers for another term, and the assembled delegates voted unanimously to keep Jones as president, Eddie Milson, 1st vice president, Clarence (Skinny) Davidson, 2nd v.p., and Jack Saurina, 3rd, with Odin Dudrich as recording secretary, Louis Noah Forman executive secretary and Bernie Manoff treasurer.

FULLMER WHIPS WAGNER IN TEN AT CLEVELAND

By JOHN J. McCAFFERTY

Cleveland, Ohio: Don Fullmer 164, Ogden, Utah, won a 10 round decision over Billy Wagner, 171, Cleveland.

Terry Daniels, 190, Dallas, tkoed Ted Gullick, 196, Youngstown, in round 3.

Tap Harris, 148, Akron, won a unanimous 8 round decision over Fred Jimenez, 149, St. Paul. Mike Harris, 132, Cleveland, won 6 round decision over Ray Currington, 131, Cleveland. George Elias, 172, Uniontown, ko'd Tommy Russel, 155, Zanesville in the first round.

▲Otis Lighting Goode, 154, Akron, lost a close 6 round decision to Irish Jimmy Smith, 153, in Philadelphia.

▲Ernie Shaver, 205, Warren, ko'd Elmo Henderson, 187, Phoenix, at Las Vegas, for k.o. number 35.

▲Walter Moore, 225, Los Angeles, koed Charley Boston, 205, Washington, D.C., in the second round, in Akron. Boston showed little. Bad matchmaking.

▲At Cincinnati: Roy Dale, 159½, won an 8 round decision over Al Sugar Bolden, 158, Pittsburgh. Robert Strong, 162, Louisville, won a 6 round split decision over Lighting Goode 152, Akron.

▲Sonny Oliver, 137, Akron, lost on a 5th round tko to John Summerhayes, 139, Brantford, at Detroit.

The Ring—Sennett, Owens, Di Fiore Star in New England

HENRIQUE STOPS PEREIRA IN FOURTH IN BRAZIL

By BO ZAINE

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL—Joao Henrique kayoed junior welter Garibaldi Pereira in four rounds in their fight for the Brazilian junior welter crown at the Stadium of Ibirapuera. Henrique decked Pereira with a left to the jaw in the second and Pereira had to take counts twice in the third. In the fourth round, Henrique went directly after his foe and belted him out.

Junior welter Joao dos Santos outpointed Jose Jaime in 8. Feathers Joel Correa and Jose DePaula drew in 8 and junior welter Salvador Durante decisioned Jose Evangelista in six.

▲Undefeated Miguel DeOliveira had to travel ten rounds to beat Roy Dale from USA. Dale put up a good showing.

Sebastiao Souza was disqualified in the fifth against Jose "Walcott" Assumpcao in their middleweight bout. Vanildo DeOliveira decisioned Joel Correa in eight feather rounds and Osmar Oliveira outpointed Abistemar Jose in four. They were making their pro debuts, as middles.

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PINDER LESS FIERY BUT VASQUEZ ONCE MORE LOSES

By SAM TAUB

Having lost twice to Enrique Pinder, of Panama, New York's Davey Vasquez stands at a crossroads in his career as a professional boxer.

Pinder's second victory over Vasquez was the feature of the live show which preceded the closed circuit television production of the Cassius-Clay-Buster Mathis fight in Houston. There was more action in the bantam battle.

The fight was advertised as being for the North American championship and an impressive trophy emblematic of the title was presented to Pinder. But there is no such title. Not only that. If there were a North American championship, Pinder, from Panama, would not be eligible.

Pinder showed himself to be a contender for the world title held by Mexican Ruben Olivares. However, Pinder's hitting power conceivably would not be sufficient to harass Olivares.

The rematch was, in some ways, disappointing. It had only one phase of true excitement, and that redounded to the credit of Vasquez, in the seventh round.

Davey gave Enrique a good battering, but not without getting one himself as Pinder rallied in the last minute of the round.

Pinder was not as good as he had been in their first fight. Vasquez was somewhat better than in the first encounter. Nobody got hurt. Nobody got decked, nobody got cut and the customers appeared to like the engagement.

If Davey was in serious trouble, it was in the 12th round, when Pinder staggered him in his own corner.

The fighters kept fighting and made referee George Coyle's job an easy one.

The voting was unanimous. In pursuance of a new rule instituted by Madison Square Garden, because of the McAloon-Fernandez riot, the individual votes of the referee and the judges were not announced. This system will continue.

In the semi-final, local middleweight Bobby O'Brien showed gameness aplenty, at 165½ pounds, but Jose Chirino, of the Argentine, 161½, showed the greater skill and clearly was entitled to the unanimous decision.

Nobody got decked, nobody got cut, and O'Brien left the ring shaking his head in doubt as his career as a pro boxer. His dad is a police lieutenant. It would appear that Bobby might do well to follow in his dad's footsteps.

Jersey heavyweight Randy Neumann, 206¼, got a unanimous decision over Argentinian Raul Gorosito, 239, making his seventh pro showing.

Neumann was fully entitled to the verdict. Gorosito looked lardy. Neumann looked to be on his way up, or out. It was difficult to determine the direction. He is not a hitter. At least he did not look like one in his 30 minutes of jousting with the inexperienced South American.

The dual venture, fights and TV, was not a money success. Only 8,000 showed up. Not a bottle was thrown. Nobody got stabbed.

PADUANO-MARCOTTE DRAW MAKES MONTREAL ECSTATIC

By FRANK ALLNUTT

Montreal, Canada—Donato Paduano, 153, lardy about the middle, and Fernand Marcotte, five pounds lighter, gave this old town its fistic treat of the year with a ten-round draw.

What with the entire card being effective, a turnout of 7,000 at Paul Sauve Arena, and a box office total of $48,000, promoter Regis Levesque and Montreal boxing did themselves proud.

Marcott has had six fights this year, without a loss. He was in superb condition for Donato, who faces the necessity of going on a diet. Fernand is from Quebec.

Barely had the second round got under way when Marcotte slipped over a left hook which caught Paduano off balance and dumped him on the seat of his pants.

Referee Baillargeon ruled it a slip, not a knockdown. Paduano was clipped and dumped, hurt or not. Marcotte delivered that punch and should have had credit for a knockdown. From the bell to start the third until the final bell to end the tenth and final round the fight went in a see-saw pattern, Paduano, dazzling at times with the speed of his left hand and combination punching turned in his best performance since his fight with Marcel Cerdan in New York.

Marcotte, coming into the ring with an unblemished record in nineteen bouts, had no intentions of leaving the ring second best. He matched his opponents speed and flurries with fine counter punching and gave Paduano his best fight to date. The official scores, 47-47, 48-48 and one card calling for Marcotte by 48-44, were on the five point 'must' system.

For Marcotte this was a moral victory, spotting Paduano weight, matching him round for round and coming out with a split of the honours, have to make this young boxer and the one thousand fans who made the trip from Quebec, feel great.

This was the best fight seen in Montreal in three years. Showing the form both boys displayed in this one, Paduano would box the ears off the Canadian middleweight champion Dave Downey if they could entice him into the same ring as Paduano with the title on the line. Marcotte has proved that he is the outstanding contender for the Canadian welterweight title held by Clyde Gray.

Canadian junior welterweight champion Reynald Cantin (Montreal) stopped Jo-Jo Jackson in the seventh. An often beaten pro of seven years, Jackson made an error in judgment by taking on Cantin.

Making his pro debut, Marshall Butler (Montreal) former Canadian amateur champion, stopped Serge Prouix (Montreal) at 1.57 of the fifth. Prouix never landed a punch on Butler who is loaded with talent. As Prouix (151) had trouble hitting Butler (147) it was pointless in letting the match go any further.

Marc Gervais (Montreal) stopped Jasmin Therrien (Montreal) in four. The referee halted the mess.

Emile Griffith boxed a five round exhibition with Angel Ortiz (New York).

RAHAMAN ALI STOPS CARTER IN 3

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

Chicago, Ill.—Rahaman Ali, 196, Louisville knocked out Harold Carter, 177, Cleveland, in the third round at the O'Hare Port Hotel.

Ali was in command all the way, Carter was bleeding in the mouth as Ali stayed on top of Harold. In the third, Ali floored Carter with a short left hook and an overhand right to put Carter away at 2:28 of the round.

A crowd of 943, paid a gate of $5,146 to see Doug Amundsons show.

▲**Rochester, Minn.**—Unbeaten Pat O'connor, Rochester, who signed a seven year contract with Bruno Lisi and Ben Sternberg last June, is unhappy with the arrangement, and wants out.

The Athletic Commission ruled that Lisi has a legal and binding contract with O'Connor. Pat placed the matter in the hands of his attorney.

▲**St. Paul**—The rematch between St. Paul's Fred Jimenez and David Arellano was all signed and set for St. Paul, when promoter Jack Raleigh unexpectedly called the fight off a few days before it was set to go. Raleigh gave no reason for his action, and didn't create new fans.

▲Wally Swoope, Chicago middleweight, who in a recent Rochester bout, collapsed and underwent brain surgery, remains in a Rochester hospital.

MARTINEZ STOPS AMAYA, BROKEN JAW FIGURES

By LEVIE KANES N.

San Jose, Costa Rica—William Martinez, 131, defeated Antonio Amaya 130½, when, in the sixth round, Amaya couldn't continue because Martinez had fractured his jaw in the fifth round. The first and second rounds Amaya won with his speed and jabs. The third round saw Martinez catch Amaya with a good hook and Amaya had to use all his faculties to avoid getting knocked out.

The fourth round saw Amaya in control again, and in the fifth Martinez connected with a left hook to Amaya's chin, leaving Amaya with a fracture. Amaya had to be hospitalized.

In the other main bout Alfonso Frazer 137, rated junior welter, defeated Isaac Marin, who shouldn't have ventured so far above his weight. In the first round Frazer landed an uppercut right on the button. Marin took a count of eight. In the second and third rounds Marin took plenty of punishment. Marin landed the better blows in No. 4. Frazer was in trouble in the sixth and seventh, Frazer winning both.

In the eighth round, Marin, bleeding slightly from a cheek wound, was excused and Frazer became the winner. Marin will now fight as a junior lightweight.

DENNIS RIGGS BATTLES ● HOOKS TWICE IN JAX ●

By TOM EPHREM

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Dennis Riggs had to fight Joe Hooks twice in one night, rather one round. But only the first fight counts, and that's for the Ring Record Book. Dennis won it by a technical knockout when Referee Carl Sivers came to the rescue of Joe Hooks, who had been taking a pasting from the start.

Riggs, a good punching middleweight ushered in the first punch as the opening bell sounded, and scored with a right to the head. From there Hooks was on the defensive and retreat.

Riggs scored again to the head and dropped Hooks with another right. Joe made it up, but slipped in his corner as Riggs went after him. Dennis caught up with Joe and belabored the Philadelphian on the ropes.

Sivers stepped in. This brought protests from Hooks and loud dissent from the crowd. Several fans tried to carry on in the ring and a near riot was nipped by police.

Riggs was accepting plaudits from his followers and was near Hooks who was still protesting to Sivers. Hooks, in blind rage, landed a left hook to Riggs' midsection. Doubling up in pain Dennis didn't go down but made his way to the ropes. After recovering and near Hooks again, Joe shoved his glove in Dennis' face and said "I want you again".

Angered and to the exploding point, Riggs hauled off on Hooks. Calm was soon restored.

Joe Gholston, Miami light-heavy, gave a good exhibition of boxing skill in taking a split eight from Paul Kasper, now of Jacksonville. Kasper kept in there trying, but Gholston was in and out with jabs, hooks and uppercuts, winning all the way.

Henry (Slick) Mitchell, Brunswick middleweight, knocked out Kip Braden, Sanford, with a right cross to the solar plexus.

Vic Perez, Sanford welterweight, did the same with Prentice Clark, Jacksonville. Braden and Clark each went out in the second round.

▲**ST. PETERSBURG**—Mose Harrell, St. Pete, and Johnny Jackson, Orlando, went six rounds with Harrell getting the decision. The verdict wasn't a popular one. It came 10 minutes late.

The referee, Cal Schwartz, forgot to keep a card.

An "exhibition", three rounds, Peaches "Hurricane" Roberts facing Saw Pretty, stank. Ralph Barrios, a Tampa pro, met a 15 year old junior high school student named John Vignone, who had a three inch sore on his left forearm. One of Ralph's punches landed on that spot in the first round and opened it. The referee stopped it. Vignone, with his father working in his corner had put some acid on his arm to take out a tattoo mark.

Spider Webb, past the 30 year mark, won by a TKO in five when Wayne Ballet decided to retire.

Hydra Lacey, of St. Pete, won a decision over 240 pound Henry Hall. Hall had a big rip in his trunks but that made no never mind. Henry, scoring with a hard left on Lacey in the third round, suddenly raised his hands, did a shimmy and hollered out "Hooo-ey".

In the excitement at the end of the third, trainer Solomon McTier joined in the comedy of errors by leaping into the ring, but not before catching his foot on one of the ropes and falling flat on his face.

The main event had Johnny Carter, St. Petersburg, sending Nat Schaeffer, Orlando, through the hemp and onto the press table. Schaeffer was struck from behind as he made his way back into the ring.

The referee just looked on, doing nothing about it. In the next round Schaeffer swung at Carter, slipped and hit his head on the canvas. He knocked himself out.

It was good night for trainer Solomon McTier. He had eight fighters from Orlando. Not a one of them won. Solomon did. He had a $2,000 guarantee for his pros and each received $150. Solomon got the rest.

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BRAZIL'S DE OLIVEIRA HANGS ● KO ON ITALY'S SPERATI ●

By GLICERIO MATTEI

Sao Paulo, Brazil—Servilio de Oliveira, Brazilian and South American flyweights champion, kayoed Franco Sperati, Italy, in seven rounds. Sperati is not rated and gained no rating by his shwoing. Servilio needs tougher opposition.

WEPNER TAKES ● BOSWELL OUT IN 10 ●

By RONNIE "BURNS" BOUSE

North Bergen, N.J.—Chuck Wepner, 215, Jersey City, N.J. heavyweight leader, pounded out a 10th round TKO over Mike Boswell, 194, Cleveland, at Embassy Hall.

Looking for his second win in five weeks, Wepner moves out to a fast start winging in fast hard body shots that eventually were to be the downfall of his foe. Boswell tried to use his ring generalship in later rounds but was too weak from the body pounding. Then the Jersey heavy went to work on the head and had the Ohioan badly beaten at the end of the ninth.

The bell rang for the start of the tenth but Boswell could not continue and it went into the books as a 10th round TKO.

Ronnie Oliver, 175, New York, scored his third win in as many weeks when he pitched a six round shutout over Ken Warner, 173, Jersey City.

Hector Ortiz, 161, Jersey City, TKO'D New Yorker Ray Hernandez, 165, in the third.

Louis Casilla, 126, P.R., was a TKO winner in the third over Rube Gonzalez, 125, New York.

Jerry Houston, 216, New England, won a four round duke over Billy Carlson, 216, Cresskill.

▲**North Bergen**—Randy Neumann, 203, Cliffside Park, racked up his 16th win in 17 fights when he scored a fifth round TKO over Bobby Castle, 194, Newark.

Neumann went right after his Newark foe and dropped him with a combination. Castle lasted out the round.

The fourth saw Randy punch the Newark battler all over the ring. Just before the end of the round Castle walked to his corner and put his hands on the ropes. Referee Barney Felix started the count only to have the bell ring at eight. When the bell rang for the fifth Castle could not come out.

The eighth round semi saw Mario Rosa, 160, Paterson, back to the ring after being out of action for seven months after he was stabbed while selling tickets for his bout in Paterson.

Rosa fought a winning battle over the tough Jamaicaian David Ivory, 156, Ivory was decked in the fifth.

Chuck Wilburn, 135, Cleveland, blasted out Richie Villanueva, 132, Jersey City in the fourth round.

Baby Ocasio, 120, P.R. won a four round decision over Jesus Albarron, 124, New York.

Enrique Pagan, 138, P.R. won a four round slugfest with Ruben Toro, 138.

▲**Saddle Brook, N.J.**—Ring no.9, of Bergen and Passaic counties, held its 20th annual dinner at Natoli's here. In attendance were Mickey Walker, Tony Galento, Steve Hamas, Tippy Larkin, Fitzie Pruden, Petie Scalzo, Alex Doyle, Judge Emil Calcagni, Babe Orlando, Joe Borrell, the brothers Paul and Sammie Venti, and Bobby Brandt.

BECKLES LACKS FIRE BUT ● HARRY TURNS OUT LOSER ●

By GEORGE C. BECKLES

PORT-OF-SPAIN, TRINIDAD, W.I.—Lennox Beckles, 155-½, Guyana's middle-weight champion once rated No. 3 junior welter, is down to where the only talent Lenn has to offer is style. Other than this, he looked mediocre against Roy Harry, 148, Trinidad.

However, Roy was never in the show. Only once did Beckles display his old fire and ringcraft which he had shown in the past six fights here. Lennon Beckles won by a split decision, ten rounds.

▲Johnny Duncan, 130-½, Trinidad and Tobago's Veteran featherweight champion, came off the canvass and piled into younger, stronger Harry Thompson, 127-½, Trinidad. He dropped Thompson in the second round and went on to win a points victory in eight rounds.

Michael Edwards—201, Tobago, outpointed Godfrey Oliver, 203, eight rounds.

▲McKenzie Granger, 143, was floored three times in the first round before being counted out in his bout with Larry Acosta, 145, in Caracas. He returned home a few days later to fight Edwin Bascombe, 146 and was knocked out in one minute 29 seconds of the third round. It took sometime for Granger to revive. Why the rush to fight Bascombe?

Ashton Antoine, 162, boxed his way out of trouble to outpoint Lennox Kiddie, 165, in eight rounds.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending December 15, 1971

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Cassius Clay beat Buster Mathis, 12. Jerry Quarry kayoed Jack Bodell, 1. Terry Daniels stopped Ted Gullick, 3.

Ron Stander halted Jesse Crown, 1. Joe Bugner outpointed Mike Boswell, 10. George Chuvalo decisioned Cleveland Williams, 10. Ernie Shavers kayoed Elmo Henderson, 4. Randy Neuman outpointed Raul Gorsito, 10, kayoed Bob Castle, 2.

Gee Gee Maldonado drew with Phil Smith, 6. Al Jones (Fla.) defeated Cookie Wallce, 10. Jose Garcia halted John Griffin, 7. George Foreman kayoed Luis Pires, 4. Ron Lyle stopped Joe E. Lewis, 3. Vic Scott kayoed Bob Francis, 1. Frank Aaron halted Melo Alexandria, 2.

Rudy Clay stopped Harold Carter, 3. Charlie Reno beat Gary Wiler, 6. Claude McBride kayoed Sonny Glass, 1. Morris Jackson halted Dean Oswald, 2. Raul Gorosito won from Paul Simonetti, 10. Ron Oliver stopped George Simpson, 1.

Jasper Evans outpointed Jimmy Harris, 4, lost to Mark Hans, 6. Edmundo Stewart drew with Cleo Daniels, 8. Cliff McDonald kayoed Ben Toler, 4.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Foster kayoed Tommy Hicks, 8, World Light Heavyweight Title. Vicente Rondon halted Gomeo Brennan, 13, W.B.A. light heavyweight title.

Mike Quarry won Dis. 5 over Jiimy Dupree. Andy Kendall kayoed Ed Ostapovich, 5. Pierre Fourie outpointed Roger Rouse, 10. Fred Lewis stopped Harold Carter, 4. Eddie Owens kayoed Al Benoit, 1.

Brian Kelly halted James Singleton, 3. Raul Delgado stopped Art Astudillo, 3. Ron Wilson outpointed Aristeo Chavarin, 10. Red Fortner stopped Darrell Robinson, 2. Hildo Silva halted Woody Hagler, 2, beat Steve Stark, 6.

Jake Nagelevucki beat Hill Chambers, 10, lost Amado Vasquez, 1. Larry Buck halted Gorilla Jones, 7. Johnny Shufford stopped George Scott, 3.

Eddie Duncan kayoed Bob Haynes, 2. Charley Caughlin beat Roy Ingram, 6. Don Fullmer outpointed Billy Wagner, 10.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez stopped Mike Padgett, 2. Koichi Wajima defeated Carmelo Bossi, 15, W.B.A. junior middleweight title.

Nessim Cohen lost to Fabio Bettini, 15, French middleweight title. Bennie Briscoe kayoed Rafael Gutierrez, 2. Donato Paduano drew with Fernand Marcotte, 10. Jose Chirino beat Bob O'Brian, 10. Miguel de Olivire outpointed Roy Dale, 10.

Jose Anglada kayoed Joey Blair, 1. Dave Hilton lost to Terry Hayward, 12, Canadian Middlweight Title. Tom Hanna beat Gary Broughton, 10. John Mangum defeated George McGee, 8. Roy McMillan outpointed Cubby Jackson, 8. Carlos Salinas won from Jimmy Lester, 10.

Rafael Gutierrez kayoed Mike Pusateri, 4. Hal Burton defeated Moses Diamond, 4. Stanley Jackson beat Charles Shufford, 6. Radames Cabrera stopped Jim Smith, 5. Juan Rivera halted Elizer Negron, 3. Dave Hilton kayoed Danny Garcia, 2. Mario Rosa won from Dave Ivory, 8. Joe DeNucci kayoed Cocoa Kid II, 6.

Ted Cooper outpointed Charlie Shufford, 6. Frank Formario drew with Gene Coon, 6. Chuck Hernandez stopped Dick Pelster, 3. Mike Reed kayoed Harold Brown, 5. John L. Sullivan halted Mike Seyler, 7. Jose Rodriguez beat Gabe Bowens, 8. Ray Villaneuva kayoed Julio Rivera, 1. Willie Mack stopped Charley Heyward, 4.

Johnny Baldwin halted Alfonso Aguirre, 5. Willie Monroe defeated Willie Warren, 10. Gene Bryant beat Nate Williams, 12.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Adolph Pruitt kayoed Raul Rodriguez, 10. Ernie Lopez beat Oscar Alvarado, 10. Adrian Davis halted Ramon Beras, 9.

Jack Tillman decisioned Percy Pugh, 10. David Oropeza beat Fred Jones, 10. George Mankins outpointed Kalman Kantosi, 10. Robert Williams kayoed Hurricane Carter, 5. Jackie Turpin stopped Al Romano, 2. Ron Harris halted Don Cobbs. 3.

John Stracey drew with Frank Lewis, 8, beat Dave Wyatt, 8. Rene Roque halted Antonio Ramos, 4. Vernon Mason beat Art Kettles, 8. Danny McAloon defeated Jose Rodriguez, 10. Jerry Jacobs lost to Charles Fernandez, 8.

Alvin Anderson stopped Herbie Lee, 9. Juan Ruiz kayoed Dave Dittmar, 1. Hector Perez defeated Richie Lugo, 6. Freytes Caban won from Ivelaw Eastman, 6. Oresto Lebron beat Ivelaw Eastman, 6. Fred Mills outpointed Marco Gerardo, 10.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Nicholino Loche beat Angel Roma, Toni Ortiz, 10, non-titles. Enrique Jana drew with Eagle Sato, 10. Nate Robinson outpointed Leroy Romero, 10.

John Gant halted Otho Tyson, 6. Carlos Gimenez kayoed Oscar Raimundo, 5. Saoul Mamby decisioned Benny Huertas, 10. Johnny Summerhays stopped Sonny Oliver, 5. Eduardo Mazon halted Freddie Jasso, 7.

Lee Chang-Kil kayoed Kazuyoshi Kubokura, 8, Orient junior welterweight title. Johnny Shedrick halted Bernard Almonte, 5. Reynald Cantin stopped Jo Jo Jackson, 8. Marc Gervais kayoed Jasmin Therrien, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Pedro Carrasco W dis. 11 over Mando Ramos, W.B.C. vacant lightweight Title. Alfonso Frazier kayoed Jose Marin, 8. Antonio Puddi beat Claude Thomas, 10.

Raul Venerdini defeated Carlos Aro, 10. Jeff White halted Ralph Charles, 5. Don Sennett kayoed Juan Bareaneos, 1, George Gosselin, 2, Phil Hunson, 4. Jose Pagan stopped Larry Michaud, 2, beat Ivelaw Eastman, 8, lost to Azael Curet, 4. Richard Sue beat Jesus Robles, 10.

Enrique Pagan outpointed Reuben Toro, 4. Chuck Wilburn stopped Richie Villanueva, 4. Ryu Sorimachi defeated Joe Hargrove, 10. Alfredo Escalera beat Henry Ocasio, 6. Pedro Infante stopped Diego Rivera, 3.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Alfredo Marcano kayoed Kenji Iwata, 4, Retained World Junior Lightweight Title.

William Martinez halted Antonio Amaya, 5. Jose Marin stopped by Alfonso Frazier, 8. Jorge Ramos beat Ray Echavarria, 10. Ray Lampkin kayoed Gene Green, 1. Ugo Poli defeated Juan Pena, 10.

Susumu Okabe outpointed Young Yy, 10. Felix Figueroa decisioned Billy Wade, 8. Roberto Cintron drew with Jose Rivera, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Kuniaki Shibata drew with Ernesto Marcel, 15, retained World featherweight title.

Clemente Sanchez kayoed Jose Jimenez, 3. Ben Villaflor halted Raul Cruz, 8. Phil Hudson beat Juan Bonet, 8, Jose Resto, 8, halted by Don Sennett, 4.

Rodolfo Lobato outpointed Ray Echavarria, 10. Mike Mayan kayoed Mario Martinez, 2, beat Chi Chi Ontervares, 10. Heribito Cintron outpointed Salvatore Ramirez, 4.

Jose Ocasio defeated Dario Albarron, 4. Jorge Jimenez Rodriguez kayoed Jewell Chappell, 3. Joe Medrano stopped Adolfo Alvaran, 1.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Ruben Olivares stopped Kazuyoshi Kanazawa, 14, retained world bantamweight title.

Enrique Pinder defeated David Vasquez, 12, North American Title. Ushiwakamaru Harada drew with Shintario Uchiyama, 10. Johnny Clark beat Michel Jamet, 8. Octavio Gomez kayoed Valantin Pasqualito, 5. Kid Snowball halted Alberto Jangalay, 8.

Jose Medina stopped by Antonio Garcia, 5. Paul Ferreri outpointed Fernando Sotelo, 10. Felipe Cesena decisioned Joe Johnson, 8. Jose Ocasio beat Dario Albarron, 4.

Johnny Moreno Chamaco Cuenca, 10. Wilson Martin beat kayoed Juan Bonet, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Masao Ohba defeated Fernando Cabenela, 15, W.B.A. flyweight Title. Chartchai Chionoi beat Berkrerk Chartvanchi, 10.

Jose Luis Soto won from Fermin Gomez, 10. Miguel Canto decisioned Roberto Alvarez, 10. Maurice Buitrago kayoed Alacrancito Espinosa, 1. Francisco Gonzalez beat Erwin Morales, 4. Gustave Rodriguez defeated Pedro Cordoba, 4.

THE CHATTER BOX

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kayoing 10 straight including North-American welterweight king Al Romano.

Washington D.C. promoters Paul Tibbs and Denny Simpson ran into a lot of bad luck on their Adrian Davis-Ramon Beras card. It seems that the ticket count at the end of the evening totalled but 282, while the head count was well over 600. It was later discovered that the majority of the fans were being allowed in at cut-rate prices by someone outside the National Arena, who was sneaking people in through a back door. The show was an artistic success but a financial defeat. The promoters paid their bills and still hope to bring boxing back to the Nation's Capitol.

CHATTER. . .New England heavyweight Jesse Crown was not the fighter who was kayoed in Spain by Argentinian Gregorio Peralta. The name was the same, but Crown was unable to secure a passport because of failure to locate his birth papers. . .Light heavyweight Fred Lewis is managed by James Malcolm, associate prosfessor of Arts and Theatre at Boston University, and a PHD. He was also a Ring writer. . .Veteran fight manager Willie Gilzenberg is now the major domo for light heavyweight Tommy Hicks. . .Ex-lightweight champion Ismael Laguna was in a Miami hospital being checked for sickle cell anemia. . .Scranton middleweight Bobby Phillips had tragedy strike again, when he was injured in a car accident. Phillips' career came to an end when he suffered cerebral damage in a bout early in the year. . .Boxing made a big hit at the new O'Hare Airport Hotel in Chicago. The promotor is Doug Amundson.

STABBING AFTER N.Y. FIGHT CALLS FOR CHANGES

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scored a three round t.k.o. over Elizer Negron, Bronxite, 154. Referee Georgie Coyle, on advice of Dr. Edwin Campbell, refused to permit Negron to come out for the final round.

The other four saw Jose Ocasio, from Puerto Rico, 122¾, score a unanimous victory over Dario Albarron, New York, 123¼ pounds.

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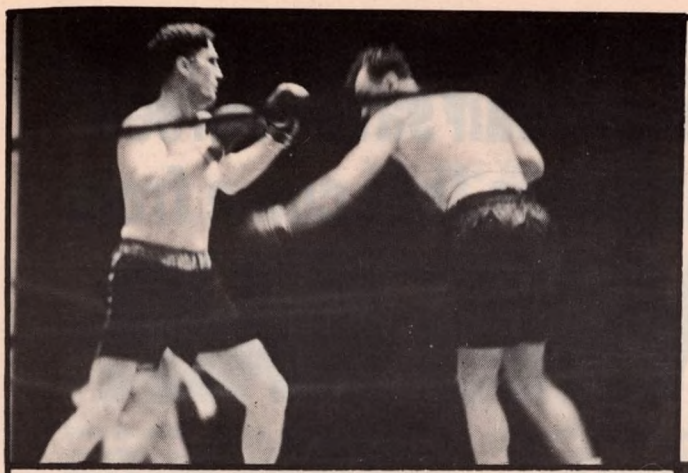

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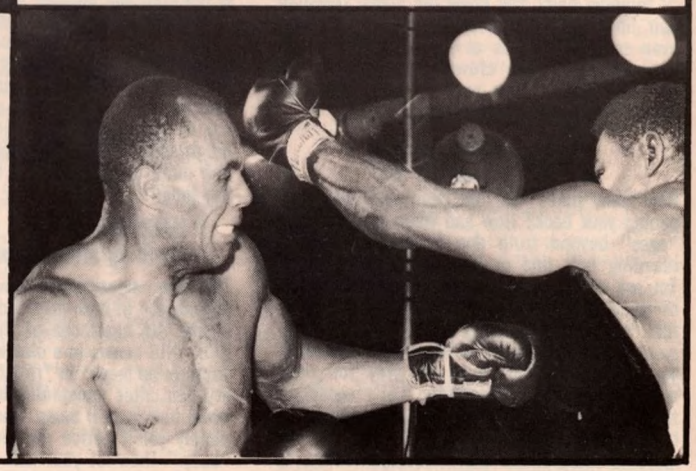

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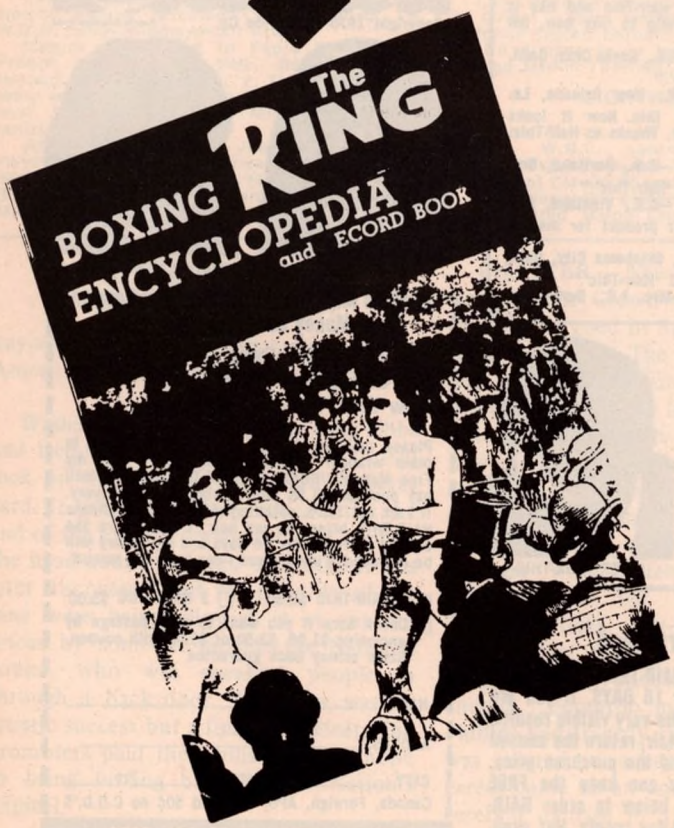

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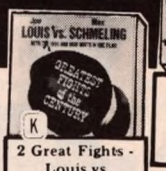

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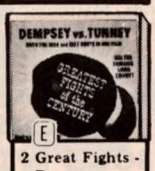

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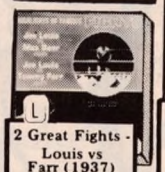

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By BOB DECKER

Seattle, Wash.—Pacific Northwest boxing is booming as never before. There was a lull when the area suffered through the collapse of Boone Kirkman. But the game has exploded since, with improved matchmaking, better refereeing, and better fighters.

▲**Renton**—Action Boxing Club staged its second card at the High School Gym. Mike Lankester pounded out a 5th. round TKO over Oakland's Jim Goree in a middleweight match. Goree weighed 164¾ while Lankester came in at 160.

In an 8 round featherweight match Gary Ferrari, 122½, of Seattle, won a unanimous 8 round decision over ChiChi Aguilar, Nogales, Mexico. The only knockdown of the show was scored by Ferrari in the 5th.

▲**Eugene**—The spirited re-match between Idaho's John L. Sullivan and Eugene's Mike Seyler was just as thrill packed as their first meeting last July. At that time Sullivan came back from an 8th round knockdown to score two knockdowns in the 9th. and stop the more experienced Seyler. This time Seyler started strong and had the Idaho middleweight on the deck in the 2nd. Sullivan, 157, scored a total of 5 knockdowns and was awarded a TKO in the 7th. Seyler scaled 155.

In a companion 10, Terry Hinke decisioned the oft beaten Hobo Gary Wiler, Seattle. Hinke, at 212, had a 14 pound advantage. After 20 professional bouts Hinke still resembles the football player that he was before trying his hand at the fight game. In a pair of 6 rounders. Roger Buckskin stopped Bennie Cannon in the 4th. and Davy Rogers surprised Bill Cross in the first. Cross was knocked or fell out of the ring and injured his shoulder.

▲**PORTLAND**—Expo Center card saw Andy Kendall, 175½, pound Amando Vasquez, 170, for 10 rounds without either being able to score a knockdown. Kendall won almost every round (100-93, 98-96, 100-95). But everyone had to admire the effort by Vasquez. Gary Ferrari, Seattle, won his fight of 1971 without a loss by decisioning Gene Green in a 6. Ferrari, 126, gave away 8 pounds and 4 inches in height. In a pair of supporting 10 rounders Maurice Rice, 164, Seattle, stopped Cassius Scott, Oakland, in the 5th., Quito Montgomery, Jan Jose, 136, scored a 5th round knockout over Seattle's Al Foster. Scott weighed 168½, Foster, 134, a mismatch.

▲**Calgary, Alberta**—Heavyweights Earl McCleary, Calgary, and Pat Duncan, Carson City, scored knockouts in main events scheduled for 10 rounds. Duncan stopped Herschel Thomas in the opening round while McCleay went three before stopping Carson City's Ken Austin.

The action was provided by a pair of Seattle fighters. Maurice Rice, 169, out fought Tommy Cooper, Calgary, who was making his pro debut and Gary Ferrari, 125, stopped Bobby Brooks, Phoenix, for his second straight 4th round KO in Calgary. Ferrari won his 6th fight in as many weeks and has won 11 without defeat in 1971.

▲**Eugene**—Heavyweight Terry Hinke and manager John Gable showed questionable sportsmanship by stopping local fighter Ben Yee in the third round. Yee had only one pro start while Hinke was a veteran of 20 starts, without a loss. Hinke was along to challenge McCleay when the promoter came up short an opponent for Yee and asked Hinke to box a 4 rounder.

▲**SEATTLE**—George Chemeres presented his first Arena show featuring a pair of 10 rounders. Larry Buck stopped Gorilla Lopez in the 7th. round. For the first time Buck, 181, was billed as a heavyweight, while Lopez weighed 188. Richie Sue won a split decision (99-97, 98-97, 96-98) over San Jose's Jesus Robles. There were no knockdowns but action was furious throughout the 10 rounds. Charlie Reno weighing 248, had no trouble with the 196 Hobo Wiler, and Hal Burton, 161, won a unanimous 4 rounder over Moses Diamond, 147.

▲**WALLACE, IDAHO**—In one of the few Idaho shows in recent years, Andy Kendall scored a 5th. round TKO over Ed Ostapovitch, Vancouver. Kendall scored a first round knockdown with his right but Ostapovitch battled back. In the 5th. Kendall landed another big right and on the way down the Canadian hit the back of his head on the ring rope and was out for several minutes.

George Mankins won a 10 round decision over Kalman Santosi in a middleweight battle and Ray Lampkin stopped Gene Green, Seattle, in the first of a lightweight fight.

▲Al Ford scored an easy 10 round decision in Mexico City over Fermin Soto. Fraser Scott is prepping for a light heavy match with Pat OConner in Minnesota. Based on Scott's gym work he may give O'Conner more than he can handle. Tony McDaniels and George Perez are back in the gym. Both middleweights. Joe Toro's Eagles gym recently added a ring to handle the increasing number of pros and amateurs training there.

URBINA STOPS ESCOBAR IN • DRIVING DOWNPOUR AT MANAGUA •

By CRANSHAW EGAN

Managua, Nicaragua—Gustavo Rodriguez 114½, won by a knock-out in the second round over Orlando Rojas.

Alfredo Ruiz, 120¾, won by a knock-out over Daniel Sanchez, 123¼, in the second round. This one looked bad.

Semi Final, — 10 rounds: Eddy Gazo, 122, won by a 7th round TKO over Carlos Espinoza 124¾, Espinoza did not answer the bell for the 7th Round.

Leonel Urbina won a 7th round TKO over Ismael Escobar, Panama.

The last two fights were fought in a steady downpour of rain that drove the spectators to the protective shelter of the soccer grand-stand.

In the Gazo-Espinoza fight it appeared that Espinoza had the choice of being kayoed or drowned—possibly both. Escobar had scored a 6th round knockdown over Urbina.

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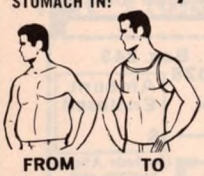

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FOURIE CANCELS MONZON ● FIGHT, ANNOUNCES MOVE ● INTO LIGHT HEAVIES

By ED CLARK

Johannesburg, South Africa. — Scratch Pierre Fourie from the middleweight ratings. From now he will fight in the light heavy class.

Alan Toweel, Fourie's manager, announced that Fourie no longer could make 160 pounds and that, in consequence, he had been forced to cancel his middleweight challenge to Carlos Monzon, the middleweight champion.

Toweel admits that Fourie no longer can make even 165. Fourie is 28 and stands 5 feet 10 1/2 inches.

▲At Ellis Park Tennis Stadium Fourie outpointed Italy's Mario Almanzo over 10 rounds. It was a return match, Fourie scored a run-away victory this time. Attacking his man strongly but a bit wild from the start, Fourie took command of the fight.

In the third a right hook sent Almanzo thru the ropes. The Italian excelled in the clinches with short uppercuts. Both men were cautioned for infringements during the fight. Much use of the elbow was made by Almanzo.

Andries Steyn, light-weight champion, showing improved form, was master over Elio Cotena over 8 rounds. Steyn was the harder puncher but Cotena, hitherto unbeaten, was slippery and although shaken in the third by a right hook and left to the jaw kept out of trouble. A left hook in the fourth saw Cotena go down but he arose and hung on. Steyn coasted the rest of the fight but was a clear winner.

Welter-weight Gielie Buitendag wasted no time and with a right had Britain's Amos Talbot on the canvas. Two short rights greeted the Britain on arising and the fight was stopped by referee Andy Malloch after 1 minute 47 seconds.

Morris Wainstein won an 8 round decision over Frenchman Norbert Barriere. Using a two fisted attack Wainstein won clearly in this bantam fight.

This Danie van Zyl—Springbok Promotion drew 4,000 fans.

Kosie Smith, former light-heavy-weight champion was to have fought Bobby Woods of Canada but Woods had kidney trouble and was not passed by the doctor. Substitute Kelman Santosi, also of Canada, was rejected by the Board of Control as a worthy opponent for Smith.

▲**DURBAN.**—John "Fraser" Mkhize won a controversial 8 rounds decision over Raphty Mngadi in a bantam bout. It was a great fight. Won the first 3 rounds. Mngadi, boxing on the retreat, was content to counter punch but he came to light in the fourth with body blows. At in fighting Mngadi was superior. Mkhize used a straight left and right uppercut. Phillip Hlope T.K.O.'d Petrus Masasane in 5, (Light-weights).

▲**DURBAN** — Joe Ngidi, Jr. 110½ pounded Raphael Miya, 111½ into an eighth round T.K.O. Miya's seconds threw in a towel at Gurries Fountain. Miya was on his bicycle for every round but he was trapped against the ropes, receiving a hammering, and Ngidi annexed the Natal fly-weight title.

Moses Mthembu, WAS LUCKY TO BE GIVEN A DRAW IN HIS FIGHT AGAINST Phillip Petersen over 6 rounds in the light-weight division. Rodwell Lekay, 166, and Amos Mbele, 159½, drew over 6.

▲**JOHANNESBURG** — Before a 6,000 crowd at Ellis Park Tennis Stadium dual champion, heavy and cruiser, Sarel Aucamp conceded 13 pounds in eight but comfortably outpointed Wales' Eddie Avoth over 10 rounds.

Avoth took hard punches but gamely fought on to last the distance. In the third Aucamp switched to southpaw and caught Avoth with a looping left but Avoth didn't go down as Aucamp rained punches.

Gert Steyn, youngest of the brothers, won the S.A. Welter-weight title by outpointing holder Spider Kelly over 12 rounds. This was the best fight on the bill. In the first round Steyn caught Kelly with a left hook and he never let up. Steyn was the master in all departments and in the final round had Kelly on the canvas for "8" via a right cross. Kelly's right eye was cut but showed gameness in lasting the distance.

Arnold Taylor, bantam and feather king just back from Australia, was unimpressive in beating Spaniard Luis Aisa over 10 rounds. Aisa showed fancy footwork and boxed on the retreat most of the fight.

Stoffel Steyn made a trio of winners for S.A. fighters when he beat Antonio Torres, of Spain, over 10 rounds. Steyn was warned for holding and low blows. Torres made Steyn's body his target and concentrated on that area exclusively. Steyn piled up points with left and right hooks and in the fifth doubled up Torres with a hook. Both men visited the canvas but jumped up without a count. Booing greeted the announcement that Steyn was the winner.

▲**ATTERIDGEVILLE, PRETORIA**—Enoch Nhlapo had an easy win over Petros "Pitso" Sesing over 10 rounds at the Communal Hall in the junior welter division. Sesing was on his bicycle for the entire fight but Nhlapo caught him time and time again with a left jab and short rights. Sesing was dropped in the third, was holding on in the fourth. Thereafter he ran like a sprint champion.

Ex-Fly-weight champion Andrew "Ace" Nwentsha was soundly beaten by William Matlokotsi over 8 rounds. Nwentsha was ring rusty.

▲**DURBAN**—Gordon Goba, 152¾, successfully fought off the challenge of Joe Sishi, 158½, over 12 rounds to retain his national middle-weight crown.

Sishi, caught Goba with a left to the face and the champ was on queer street. Round 6 saw Goba come into his own again and forcing the pace had Sishi on the retreat. In the next rounds both took a breather and were warned for infringements but Goba took the assendancy later and won.

Blakeney Matthews, 125 outbanged Alfred Cele, 126 over 10, Chris Dlamini, fly champion, scored narrowly over John Fraser Mkhize, 116¾, over 6.

▲**DURBAN**—Elijah Makhathini, middle-weight, continued on his winning ways by beating cape champion on points in a 10 round fight at Currie's Fountain. Joe Hali was in a gruelling battle and his greater experience stood him in good stead. Makhathini tried hard to end the fight and in the ninth Hali took a terrific left to the jaw and was down for nine. Makhathini has won 14 fights, 9 inside the distance.

In the semi, Anthony Morodi won over Blakeney Matthews in a keenly contested fight over 8 rounds. Matthews acquitted himself well but Morodi was a shade better.

Joe Archer, South West Africa, K.O.'d Caswell Juqula with a right to the jaw in the seventh round of a light-weight clash.

OSORIO, VALDEZ, HIGGINS ● WIN BOUTS IN COLOMBIA ●

By LUIS A. GONZALEZ V.

Cartagena, Colombia—Some 3,000 showed up at "Circo Teatro" to see Carlos Arturo Osorio, flyweight, get a unanimous decisions after his six round fight with Reinaldo Ramirez. Osorio was decked in the first. Miguel Ibanez, Cartagena, butted his way to a technical win over Jaime Ramirez, local bantamweight in six.

In the semi-final, Enrique Higgins, colombian lightweight, knocked out Adalides Munoz, Panama, in the ninth. In the first, Munoz twice hit the canvas.

Nestor "Baba" Jimenez, a top prospect among Colombian bantamweights, stopped Fernando Bustos, Bogota, in the third.

▲Justico Valdez, bantam of Cartagena, outpointed Pedro Bendek, Barranquilla.

▲Barranquilla—Winner of the ten-round junior lightweight feature at Humberto Perea Coliseum before 4/000 fans, Bernardo Caraballo, won in a bad match over Venezuelan Luis "Feo" Churio.

Enrique Higgins, stopped Raul "Yau" Miranda, Colombia, in the first.

Nestor "Baba" Jimenez registered his fourth straight win over Edmundo Martinez, Venezuela, via TKO when Martinez failed to answer the bell in the seventh. Martinez visited the canvas in the sixth.

VICERA BEATS HAYES IN ● SINGAPORE FLY SCRAP ●

By LITTLE NENE

SINGAPORE—ISIDRO VICERA, 113, fourth ranking flyweight of the Philippines, decisioned Australia's No. I flyweight contender HARRY HAYES, 114 in a ten round fight.

Using crisp left hooks to the body and occassional right straights to the head, VICERA had HAYES on Queer Street a couple of times. The tough aborigine from Sydney refused to go down.

In the semi-windup, eight rounds, GOLDEN HOFF, 142, Malaysia, received an early Chrstmas gift by being declared the winner over FREDDY RAMSAY, 143.

TAHAR GUIZANI, 120, kid brother of promoter REZGUI GUIZANI stopped local JAGAR MOR, 119, in the third frame with a left to the solar-plexus.

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CADENS MAULS LARA IN FOUR HEATS AT MONTERREY

By BRAD STAPLES

Monterrey, Mexico—Before 1,014 Chuy Cadens (134) the Featherweight champion of the state of Tamaulipas, won by KO in 4 rounds over Rogelio Lara, (133½), San Luis Potosi. Lara was no match for Cadena.

Rogelio should either take off some of his excess weight or find another way to make a living, because he will be on queer street before long if he keeps fighting as a lightweight. The rest of the program featured local boys.

In the 10 round semi-windup, feather Memo Rodriguez put to sleep Jose Franco in the 9th. Feather Panchito Reyes iced Jaime Presas in 5. Hector Pena Duque, 116, won on a TKO over Chamaco Garcia in 2. Bantam Herclio Amaya won over Oswaldo Santos in a four.

▲Also in Monterrey, American light heavy Fred Wallace stopped Rodolfo Palomo, Monterrey, in the 2nd round. Wallace had too much of everything and outclassed Palomo all the way.

Welter Leonardo Patino, Monterrey, iced "Canguro" Pena, Monclova, in 5. Lightweight Juan Mireles won by decision over Ruben Zuniga, in 8.

In 6 rounds Beto Garza (125) won a close decision over Jaime Martinez also weighing 125. In 4, Alejandron Espinosa (111) decisioned Sergio Reyna (109).

▲Another Rocha promotion here saw middleweight Sabino Villanueva, Monterrey, stopp Chivo Medina, Frontera, in the 3rd. In the best bout seen here in quite awhile, Abraham Saucedo, (135), won a close decision over "Mariachi" Ramirez, (134½), in ten rounds. First Saucedo and then Ramirez seemed to have the edge, but with a terrific show of punching power in the 9th and 10th rounds, Saucedo caught the eyes of the judges.

Bantam Jose Santana iced Gumaro Rodriquez in 4. Feather Manuel Barragan won over Jose Juan Fabela on a TKO in 2. A cut eye forced the doctor to stop this fight. Feather "Pajarito" Espinosa and Juan Reyes fought a 4 round draw.

▲In the bull-ring at Nuevo Laredo, before a crowd of 2,000, Lester Marquez, Mexico City, (120), and Saul Montana, Nuevo Laredo, (119), were in the main event. Montana put on one of the best fights he has shown. However, Montana tried for the KO and in a savage exchange in the 7th round, Marquez landed a hard right and cut Montana in the left eye. The cut was between the eyelid and eyebrow. Montana could not continue and the fight went down as a TKO win for Marquez in 7.

In the 10 round semi-main, Calvin Todd, Corpus Christi, displayed his punching power by taking out Pedro Martinez, Monterrey, in the 3rd round. Martinez was out for 4 minutes. They are light heavies. Bantam, Mario Perez displayed good punching power and a lot of ring savy in winning a TKO in 3 over Martin Pina.

Feathers Chamaco Alvarez and Sebastian Salas, went 4 rounds. Alvarez got the decision. Also in a 4 rounder, flyweight Javier Ruskin won over Rocky Garay.

▲At Monterrey, Leonel Garcia (128), "Sonrisas" Aranda, (127¼) San Luis Potosi, in a 10 round bout. In the 10 semi-windup, bantams, Francisco "Cuyo" Tovar and Paco Peyes battled to a draw. Feather Rodrigo de Leon won a split decision over Jose Angel Martinez, in 8 rounds. Bantam Abel Rodriguez iced Jesus Olivo in the first and lightweight Guillermo Garcia defeated Francisco Sanchez also in the first round, TKO.

▲Again in Monterrey, bantam Jesus Juarez, Monterrey, upset predictions by outclassing Rafael Cervantes, Guadalajara, in 10 rounds. Cervantes was waiting for the chance to explode his KO punch, but the chance never came.

In the semi-main, the best flyweight prospect in Monterrey, Jorge Padron, who is undefeated, knocked out Monito Delgado, Durango, in 5. Lightweight, Sergio Munoz won by TKO in 7 over Javier Duran. Feather Rogelio Gaytan iced Ricardo Herrera in 4. Feather Miguel Angel Fiscal iced Jorge Vasquez in the opening round.

BRENNAN CAN'T SEE; REF GIVES IT TO RONDON

By HANK KAPLAN

Miami Beach, Fla.—Before an enthusiastic crowd of 4000 at the Miami Beach Convention Hall, a WBA light heavyweight title was contested as Vicente Rondon, 175, Caracas, Venezuela, defeated, by TKO, Gomeo Brennan, 167½, Bimini, Bahamas, in 13 rounds.

In a valiant effort before a large contingent from the Bahamas, Brennan was stopped due to a shut left eye and little vision left in his right eye. Referee Eddie Eckert obeyed the ringside physician and halted the action after the rest period following round 12.

The age and reach difference plus a history of inactivity was too much of a handicap for Gomeo who tried diligently to turn the tide in the late rounds. Gomeo kept the battle reasonably close until his waning vision upset his fight plan. He had Rondon wobbling on two occasions up to round 7. From round 8 on he caught Rondon's inside uppercuts with regularity.

The alleged champion did all his damage with inside hooks and uppercuts with both hands. The success brought Rondon's record to 36-5-1 while Brennan, whose boxing career may come to a close, was brought to 83-20-6.

In the ten round semi-windup, of great interest locally, big Al Jones, 245, Goulds, made his first start in 21 months a happy one by unanimously outpointing Cookie Wallace, 215, Dallas. Al dropped Wallace in the third and fifth rounds and merely toyed with his opponent for the rest of the way.

In another ten rounder, Dario Hidalgo, 153¾, Santo Domingo, D.R., won a unanimous victory over Roscoe Bell, 153½, Cocoa, Florida in a frisky duel. The fight was a show-stealer as the boys tried to out-do each other in entertaining the audience.

Angel Estevez, 157, Miami, kayoed Jesse Limbrough, 158, Miami, in the first round.

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SENNETT, OWENS, DiFIORE ● STAR IN NEW ENGLAND ●

By DON HAMILL

The past month was highlighted by the performances of Don Sennett, Eddie (Red Top) Owens, and Leo DiFiore. Sennett headlined three shows in his home-town of Waltham, Mass. He won all three fights and shows much promise.

Owens defended his New England light heavyweight leadership for the third time since August. Leo (The Lion) DiFiore is again showing the promise he indicated earlier in his career.

▲**WALTHAM**—Don Sennett, 133, Waltham, thrilled the hometown fans by copping all eight rounds over Jose Resto, 130, New York, to win a unanimous decision. Resto was unable to match the punching power and sharpness of the local fighter.

Cliff McDonald, 200, South Boston, weathered the early attack of Ben Toler, 230, Newark, N.J., and then knocked out his bigger opponent in the fourth round. Was Toler Ronnie Williams?

A much improved Jose Pagon, 132, Lowell, garnered a win over a show boating Billy Wade, 129, New York, in a six rounder.

Doug Kirk, 189, Lowell, who as an amateur performed as Dave Zelewicz, racked up a good win over Eugene (Ulysses) Bethea, 177, Trenton, who was knocked down in the first round but managed to go the six round route.

Al Wade, 135, New York, edged Mike Mullen, 133, Dorchester, and was awarded a four round split duke. Larry Michaud, 144, Portland, and Paul Osborne, 153, Lowell, ended up all even after four.

▲**PORTLAND**—Beau Jaynes, 138, Lowell, New England lightweight star, tangled with little known Charley Wilburne, 137, Cleveland, who proved to be too fast and clever for Beau. Wilburne outboxed and outspeeded Jaynes to earn the win. There were no knockdowns.

Lenny Harden, 164, New York, knocked out Earl Scott, 158, New York, in the third of the eight round semi-final. Macka Foley, 179, Portland, was awarded a TKO when Jim Johnson, 179, New York, was unable to come out for the third round due to a cut on his head. Paul Osborne, 150, Lowell, took a four round decision over Larry Michaud, 146, Portland.

▲**WORCESTER**—Eddie (Red Top) Owens, 175, Holyoke, successfully defended his New England light heavyweight lead for the third time by scoring a one round knockout over Bob Benoit, 171, by Oakham. Late in the first round a hard overhand right dropped Benoit. His head hit the floor on the apron. He managed to get to his feet, obviously hurt. Owens belabored him with punches. The bout was stopped by Referee Dick Flaherty.

Don Sennett, 137, Waltham, spoiled the comeback of George Gosselin, 139, Lewiston, by icing the once promising George in the second round. A solid left hook to the jaw put Gosselin into the land of nod.

Jose Pagon, 138, Lowell, put Larry Michaud, 146, Portland, down for the count with a right to the jaw. Paul Osborne, 152, Lowell, copped a unanimous four round decision over Pedro Ortiz, 160, Worcester.

Mike Mullen, 130, Dorechester, knocked out Jose Cruz, 126, Worcester, in the second round. Jose Curet, 130, Nashua, N.H., battled to a four round draw with Lou (Kid) Falu, 140, Worcester.

▲**PORTLAND**—Leo DiFiore, 130, Portland, was hard pressed in gaining a ten round split decision over Herberito Cintron, 131, New York. Leo built up a big lead by spilling Cintron in the second round and several times pinning his foe against the ropes where he belabored him. Cintron, a shifty boxer, outlasted DiFiore and had control of the bout by the final bell.

Juan Ruiz, 153, New York, gained a six round decision over an ill-conditioned Frankie Davilla, 155, now fighting out of Lowell. Jesse Crown, 214, Portland, halted Harper Thomas, 217, White Plains, in the third round. Doug Kirk, 193, Lowell, experienced no difficulty stopping inept Bob Crutison, 193, New York, in the first round.

▲**WALTHAM**—Donny Sennett, 133, Waltham, put on a punching performance in disposing of Juan Barientos, 134, New York, in the first round. Barientos was staggered early in the round and dropped moments later. He arose and was aggressive and wild as he rushed Sennett. Donny stepped back, punching as he did so and three good punches put Barientos down again. The bout was stopped by Referee Ed Curley.

Veteran Joe DeNucci, 167, Newton, launched a comeback and although he won on a sixth round knockout he had his hands full with scrappy Cocoa Kid, 160, Springfield. Cocoa came roaring back each time he was hurt but tired badly. He was dropped twice, once in the fifth, and again in the sixth, for the full count.

Azael Curet, 128, now fighting out of Nashua, was a little too fast and sharp for Jose Pagon, 135, Lowell, and won after eight rounds. Mike Mullen, 128, Dorchester, copped a unanimous four rounder from Jose Curet, 129, Nashua. Paul Osborne, 147, Lowell, belted out Juan Pizzaro, 155, Springfield, in the first round.

▲**PORTLAND**—Fred (Preacher) Lewis, 183, Colorado Springs, made another impressive Maine appearance. He battered big Charley Jordan, 202, Detroit, into submission in the seventh round, forcing Referee Pete Bennett to call a halt. Lewis was never able to get Jordan off his feet but battered him freely all the way. Jordan managed to come back with a few punches for the first three rounds but then had to concentrate on defense.

Macka Foley, 179, Portland, scored a knockdown in punching out a six round duke over rotund Dave Collazo, 225, Portland. Jose Pagon, 140, Lowell, and Azael Curet, 134, Nashua, ended up in a draw in their lack-lustre eight round semi-final. Curet was dropped in the fifth. Larry Michaud, 149, Portland, edged George Gosselin, 142, Lewiston, for a four round split decision.

▲**WALTHAM**—Don Sennett, 133, Waltham, scored an important win by stopping Phil Hudson, 125, Portland, in the fourth round, atoning for an earlier draw. Hudson managed to score with good left hook counters but was unable to match the punching power of Sennett. Hudson was dropped three times in the fourth round. The bout was halted by Referee Ed Bradley when Hudson went down for the third time.

Jose Pagon, 137, Lowell, came off the floor in the fifth round to punch an eight round split decision in the co-feature over veteran Ivelaw Eastman, 137, New York. It was a nip-and-tuck bout with little to choose between the pair.

Doug Kirk, 189, Lowell, knocked out Gerry Vaughan, 183, Brockton, in the second round. Vaughan was on the floor in the first round from a body blow and put down for the full count in the second heat from a right to the jaw.

▲**PORTLAND**—Leo DiFiore, 128½, Portland, finished strong to win a unanimous ten round decision over Jose Resto, 130, New York. The bout was fairly even for the first six rounds. DiFiore rallied with a blazing finish. Resto was badly shaken in the final session.

Lenny Harden, 165, New York, stopped Bobby Warthen, 164, Buffalo, in the third round. Harden is undefeated in the Portland ring. Larry Michaud, 142, Portland, repeated over George Gosselin, 139, Lewiston, over the six round route.

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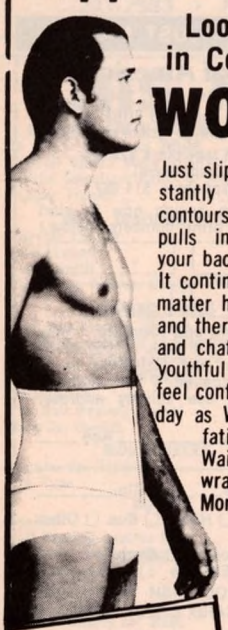

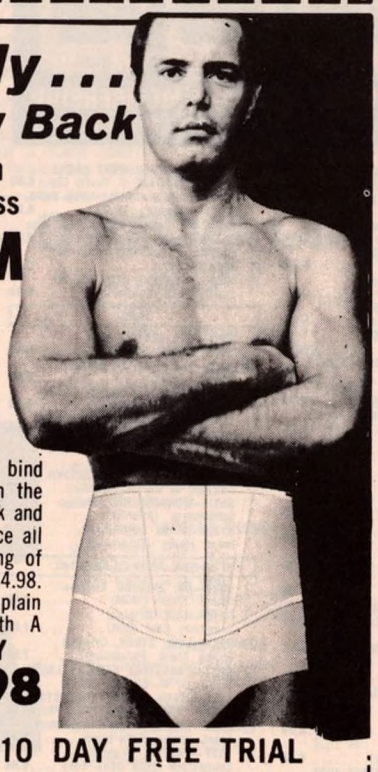

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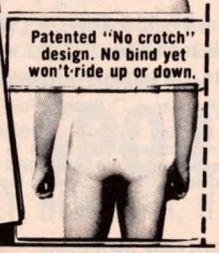

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By SCOOP GALLELLO

The International Veteran Boxers Association held its annual Convention at Asbury Park, N.J. Elected to office for the next two years were the following: President—Scoop Gallello; First V.P.—Willie Lamorte: 2nd. V.P.—Mickey Esposito: 3rd. V.P. Joe "Pep" Cassillo: 4th. V.P.—John Antonacci: Secretary—Irv Silverman: Treasurer—Adrian Bailey: Executive Sec'y—Lou Handler.

Johnnie Sullo. . .trainer, and wife Vera recently celebrated 30 years of wedded bliss with a party at the Burning Embers in Wantagh, N.Y.

VBA Ring #9. . .recently held annual banquet at Natoli's in Saddle Brook, N.J. with 300 in attendance. On the dais were Tony Galento, Tippy Larkin, Steve Hamas, Jersey Jones, George Larkin Amato and Ring #9 Prexy Frankie Doyle. Honored were Clarence "Champ" Snell, George McCarthy, Sr.; George McCarthy, Jr.; Frankie Doyle, Pat Conte, Stu Levine, John Hatt, Pinky Burns and Jeff West.

Willie La Morte. . .former flyweight king and prexy of Ring #25 of New Jersey is recuperating at home. . .Bucky Jones. . . member of Ring #25 went to Florida to attend the annual dinner of VBA Ring #7 of Miami Beach. . .Oldtimers of Ring # 23. . .Allentown, Pa; recently held their annual bash. Vince and Jo Handley photographers for the I.V.B.A. were the guests of Jack Saurina and Charlie Ettinger. . .Allie Zack. . .has resigned as president of Ring #8 of New York. New prexy is former feather champ Petey Scalzo.

James J. Corbett, once world heavy champ who lived on Corbett Rd. in Bayside, L.I., is remembered by neighbors with a rocky memento on his onetime acres.

VBA Ring #10, Bronx, is preparing a Golden Gloves team for the 1972 season. Training the young hopefuls are Sal Pignone and Willie Beltram.

VBA Ring #34 Red Bank, N.J. recently held its annual dinner at Fair Haven.

Charlie Wepner. . .former heavyweight, is vacationing in Fond Du Lac, Wis. Charlie is the dad of Chuck.

Jack Nichols. . .former leather slinger from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. is proud as punch. His wife gave birth to a bouncing boy. Baby Nichols was born with a "black eye", a sure sign of a fistic future.

Teddy and Alice Ruffin. . .played a major part in the developing of their son Bobby Ruffin into a title contender. Papa Teddy boxed under the name of Teddy Hubbs, passed away last February. The Grim Reaper then delivered another telling blow. Mom Ruffin died in her son Bobby's arms recently.

Nick Abate. . .former amateur feather champion of New Jersey, later pro star passed away recently.

Dennis Crichlow. . .former Canadian welter king, passed away recently at 71. Dennis trained Johnny Greco, Harry Hurst and Danny Webb.

Oldtimers of Auburn, N.Y. recently honored Tony Galento, Don Checcino, Billy Musco, Johnny Marshall, Jimmy Evans, Tony Storace, Eddie Swider, Fritz Mueller, Paul Travers, Ted Wooden and Billy Zimmer.

VBA Ring #56. . .Syracuse, held a successful banquet honoring Joey De John, Brady Wrightmire, Canastota Bob, Jack Millicich, Carl Sorenson, Roy Simmons, Dick Tobin and Young Murphy. Johnny Addie handled the M.C. chores.

Charlie Spina. . .Prexy of World Boxing Historians, garnered the "Freddie Fiducia" award at the International Convention.

RANDOLPH, NOT HARVEY, WINNER IN ST. LOUIS

Akron, Ohio—Friends of Lyle Randolph, junior welter of some promise, are indignant over an error in The Ring of December.

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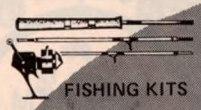
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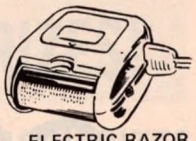
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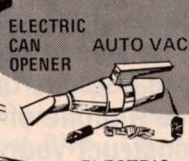
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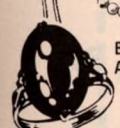
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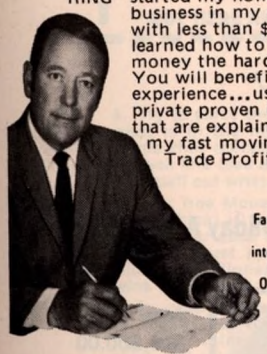
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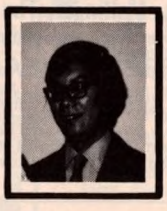

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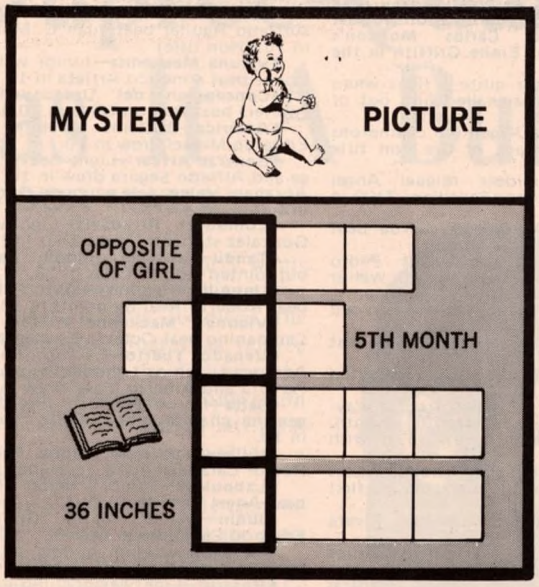

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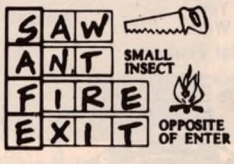

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By SIMON BRONENBERG and ALFREDO PORZIO

Buenos Aires, Argentina—Boxing in this country, of recent date, was featured by Blue Lewis' seventh round disqualification against Oscar Bonavena, and Carlos Monzon's middleweight title KO of Emile Griffith in the 14th.

Lewis was giving Oscar quite a fight when referee Ramon Berumen signalled him out of his difficulties.

The results show that Argentine champions have been taking advantage of the non title fight business. Results:

▲**La Rioja**—Junior middle Miguel Angel Castellini won from Antenor Santillan, TKO in six.

▲**Cordoba**—Feather Antonio Figueroa beat Alberto Luque in 10.

▲**Mendoza**—Undefeated lightweight Pedro Aguero won from Ramon Herrera in 10. Welter Rodolfo Gomez kayoed Hector Lara in nine.

▲**Laboulaye**—Welter Felix Gomez kayoed Inocencio Valenzuela in 5.

▲**Salta**—Junior middle Orlando Pereyra beat Juan C. Munoz in 10.

▲**La Plata**—Welter Hector Silva outpointed Oscar Santillan in 8.

▲**Tucuman**—Antonio "Bibila" Acosta kayoed lightweight Jorge Saliadarre in seventh. Feather Antonio Comaschi drew in 6 with Martin Leiva.

▲**Concepcion del Uruguay**—Welter Luis Garcilazo kayoed Atahualpa Larralde in first round.

▲**Formosa**—Marciano Tura won Juan Rivera by a TKO in nine.

▲**Buenos Aires**—In the Argentine junior welter title Juan Alberto Aranda beat Juan Carlos Salinas in the third round. (medical decision)

▲**Comodoro Rivadavia**—Middleweight Julio Calvetti beat Anibal Rojas by a TKO in seventh.

▲**Unquillo**—Middleweight Andres Bernasconi whipped Benjamin Flores.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Former Argentine flyweight champion Juan Jose Brizuela beat Benicio Sosa in 10.

▲**Bahian Blanca**—Junior welter Carlos Gimenez beat Pedro Coria by a TKO in nine.

▲**Salta**—Middleweight Rafael Quiroga beat Eudoro Robledo by a TKO in third.

▲**Vicuna Mackenna**—Argentine bantam champion Heleno Ferreira outpointed Antonio Barboza (Brazil) in 10.

▲**Tucuman**—Welter Mario Miranda kayoed Americo Orellana in six.

▲**La Plata**—Middleweight Antonio Monsalvo kayoed Hector Espindola in third.

▲**Buenos Aires**—For the world middleweight title Carlos Monzon beat Emile Griffith, TKO in 14th round.

▲**Tandil**—Feather Jose J. Diaz kayoed Santos Silisque in second round.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Junior middle Hector Galvan outpointed Argentine champion Hector Palleres in 10. (Non title)

▲**Cordoba**—Undefeated lightweight Hugo Gutierrez kayoed Aldo Retamales in first round.

▲**Salta**—Lightweight Hugo Davila beat Carlos Martinez in 10.

▲**Las Varillas**—Junior welter Francisco Fernandez and Demetrio Marquez drew in 10.

▲**Tucuman**—Bantam Alberto Gomez kayoed Santiago Barzola in first round. Feather Raul Chaine whipped Migiel Lara in 6.

▲**Mendoza**—Lightweight Juan Vedia beat Ramon Duarte, TKO in nine.

▲**Neuquen**—Junior middle Juan "Yanny" Garcia beat Ruben "Chingolo" Martinez in 10. Hector Chavez and Omar Canales drew in 8.

▲**Reconquista**—In the welter class Octavio Escauriza beat Martin Juarez in 10.

▲**La Plata**—Junior light Humberto Leyton stopped Angel Esperanza in nine.

▲**Villaguay**—Junior light Kid Dure stopped Raul Cardozo in fourth.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Heavyweight Oscar "Ringo" Bonavena beat Alvin "Blue" Lewis by disqualification in seventh.

▲**Buenos Aires**—Light heavy Jorge Ahumada stopped Pedro Rimovsky in 6th.

▲**Bahia Bianca**—Junior welter Carlos Gimenez kayoed Miguel A. Piriz (Uruguay champion) in second.

▲**Cordoba**—Undefeated bantam Jose Casas beat Marcial Franco (ex-Argentine champion) in 10.

▲**Rio Cuarto**—Junior welter Mario Miranda kayoed Carlos Taborda in second round. Lightweights Julio Lopez and Milo Roffe drew in 6.

▲**Mendoza**—Argentine light heavy champion Juan Aguilar stopped Adolfo Cardozo in six. (Non title). Undefeated left heavy Rodolfo Rosales stopped Faustino Galdame in seventh.

▲**Parana**—In the middle class Dante Rossi beat Raul Fleita on points in 10.

▲**San Juan**—Argentine lightweight champion Raul Venerdini beat Carlos Chavez (Peru) in 10. (Non title)

▲**Villa Regina**—Junior welter Juan J. Gimenez beat Hector Espinosa in 10.

▲**Trelew**—Welter Hector Mendez kayoed Ricardo Veron in third.

▲**Tucuman**—Welter Carlos Peralta and Walter Kelly (Canada) drew in 10.

▲**Gualeguaychu**—Welter Hector Morales beat Ernedto Juarez in 10.

▲**Salta**—Argentine middleweight champion Antonio Aguilar beat Juan C. Munoz by points in 10. (Non title)

▲**Vicuna Mackenna**—Junior welter Francisco Lopez beat Americo Arrieta in 10.

▲**Concepcion del Uruguay**—Pedro Veron (welter) beat Ramon Oliva in 10.

▲**America**—Bantams Ibrahim Alvarez and Eduardo Miguel drew in 10.

▲**General Alvear**—Light heavy Daniel Quiroga and Alfredo Segura drew in 10. Junior welter Abraham Valenzuela whipped Domingo Pennesi in six.

▲**Comodoro Rivadavia**—Lightweight Ramon Gonzalez stopped Emilio Diaz in the eighth.

▲**Tandil**—Peruvian middle Carlos Estrada outpointed Adolfo Cejas in 10.

▲**Unquillo**—Featherweight Alberto Luque beat Roberto Real by points in 10.

▲**Vicuna Mackenna**—Welter Miguel A. Campanino beat Octavio Esecauriza in 10.

▲**Venado Tuerto**—Ex-Argentine and South American junior middle champion Ramon Pereyra and Alberto Massi drew in 10.

▲**Salta**—Flyweight Juan Jose Brizuela-ex-Argentine champion-beat Felix "Lito" Gonzalez in 10.

▲**Villaguay**—Welter Andres Paul outpointed Hector Carabajal in 12. (provincial title)

▲**Laboulaye**—Junior welter Felix Gomez beat Angel Vega in 10.

▲**Junin**—Welter Mario Guilloti stopped Eduardo Caballero in fourth.

▲**La Plata**—Junior middle Miguel Chequer beat Domingo Guerrero in 10.

▲**Rosario**—Lightweight Julio Campagna beat Venancio Gonzalez (Venan Zales) in 10.

▲**Mendoza**—South American junior light champ Juan Domingo Corradi stopped Abel Boggio in fifth round. (Non title). Heavyweight Pablo Castellino kayoed Carlos Bazan in seventh round.

▲**San Juan**—South America lightweight champion Carlos Aro beat Pedro Parra (Chile) in 10. (non title). Junior middle Raul O. Peryra outpointed Manuel Hernandez, Chile, in 10.

▲**La Banda**—Middleweight Julio Novella, from Peru, won Amilio Ale Ali by disqualification in seventh.

▲**Tucuman**—Lightweight Manuel Lopez beat Hugo Melgarejo in 10.

▲**Reconquista**—Junior welter Daniel Gonzalez kayoed Ramon Luque in second.

▲**Concordia**—Welter Martin Juarez beat Hector Gomez in 10.

▲**Oliva**—Raul Sosa beat Luis Colman in 10. (welters)

McLEAY'S 3 KNOCKDOWNS ● IN THIRD RUIN AUSTIN ●

By JACQUES A.H. TACHAUER

Calgary Can.—Leroy Flamond held his second card here in as many months and it drew some 1,200 fans to the little Victoria Sales Pavilion. Local Earl McLeay cut down Ken Austin, Lovelock, Nevada, in three.

McLeay 202, decked Austin, 204, with a perfect right midway through the opening round for a nine count. The visitor was one game guy and lasted until 1:49 of the third when the referee called a halt after Austin had been floored three times in that stanza, for an automatic knockout.

Terry Hinke, 207, Eugene, dropped Ben Yee, 200, Calgary, with a left hook for a short count in the first, then took his time chopping him up until the bout was stopped at 2:20 of the third.

Pat Duncan, 201, Carson City, was awarded a first round KO over Hershel Thomas, 208, Salt Lake City. The action was uneventful. Suddenly Thomas was stretched out on his stomach in the centre of the ring where he writhed while being counted out at 2.40 of the round. Why did he writhe?

Maurice Rice, 167, Seattle, administered a drubbing to Tommy Cooper, 174, Calgary, over six rounds for a unanimous decision. Cooper was well busted up at the finish but he showed loads of courage.

Garry Ferrari, 125, Seattle, outclassed Bobby Brooks, 127, Phoenix, and registered a T.K.O. at 2.12 of the fourth heat.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Dupree-Quarry Hassle -- Was It A Butt Or A Blow?

By DON FRASER

ANAHEIM, Calif.–Mike Quarry wants a rematch. Jimmy Dupree doesn't believe he'll get it. All of this followed the controversial win by Quarry as referee John Thomas stopped the fight in the fifth round at Aneheim Convention Center. The bout was halted at 2:08 when Dupree accidently opened up a deep gash over Quarry's left eye.

The 20-year-old Quarry feels that he owes it to the crowd of 4,200 to meet Dupree. The butt came as Dupree, who lost his alleged North American light heavyweight championship, caught Quarry coming off the ropes. It appeared that the 30-year-old fighter from Jersey City, N.J., had hit Quarry with a short, chopping right. "That's what it was," the dejected Dupree said in his dressing room. "I hit Mike with a right cross, then I hit him with a hook to the body and he bent over. When he came back up," Dupree said, "the blood was spurting all over." In the confusion, Thomas checked with Judge Eddie Fierro. Fierro told Thomas, "I saw their heads come together." Then Thomas checked with the other official, George Latka, and gave Quarry the decision. Mike was ahead on points.

Thomas scored the fight 2-1 and Latka had it 3-1. Fierro had the fight even at 2-2. "He'll never fight me again," Dupree said. "I protest the decision.' We got it on film, the whole thing, and it shows the right hand punch," Dupree said. Quarry maintained that there was a butt and feels he was ahead at the time. "I was getting quicker," Quarry said, "and Dupree was getting slower."

The gate was $22,640, of which Quarry received $7,500 and Dupree, $5,000.

Rody Harris, 246½, Oakland, decisioned Joe Roman, 188, San Juan, P.R., (10); Angel Mayorall, 130, San Diego, decisioned Centavito Hernandez, 129, Santa Ana, (10).

▲LOS ANGELES–Ernie (Indian Red) Lopez proved once again that he is still very much in the welterweight title picture, giving Oscar (Shotgun) Albarado a one sided licking before a packed house at Olympic.

Light heavyweight Mike Quarry (right) shown with heavyweight brother Jerry, won a controversial bout with Jimmy Dupree at the Anaheim Convention Center recently. Quarry was awarded the victory when the referee stopped the contest in the fifth round due to a butt by Dupree, who claimed it was a right hand that landed, which opened a deep gash over Mike's left eye.

The Ute turned in one of the best performances of his career, both as a boxer and puncher.

Lopez never gave the Texan a chance to get started. He kept him off balance with an effective left jab, then stung him several times with a powerful right hand.

The only knockdown of the fight came in the sixth round with just seconds remaining. Red tossed a right that caught Albarado on the chin.

Oscar bounced up right away, but the round ended before Lopez could follow up.

Following the bout, Red said that "Alvarado was made to order for me. If I had on lighter gloves (they used 10 ounce), I would have socred a knockout."

The win keeps Lopez closer to world champ Jose Napoles, by whom he was stopped in 1970.

Ernie weighed 150, Oscar, 148¾. Lopez fights out of Arcadia, Albarado from Uvalde, Texas. The crowd was over 9000 and the gate $56,107.

Rudy Robles, 156, Harbor City, outclassed Willie Warren, 159, Dallas, in their 10-rounder. Robles, not a hard puncher, was too smart for the stablemate of Curtis Cokes.

Arturo Pineda, 126½, Mexicali, added Mike Ramirez, 126, Tijuana, to his list of knockout victims. The end came in the third, giving Pineda his 11th straight win and ninth knockout.

▲LOS ANGELES–Although handicapped by a cut right eye from the second round on, Davey Orpeza, 144, Phoenix, fought his way to a unanimous 10 round decision over Freddie Jones, 143, Los Angeles.

The bout, at Olympic, was a rugged go

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ANDERSON PUNISHES LEE IN NINTH AT BALTIMORE

By JOE POODLES, SR.

BALTIMORE, Md.—Alvin Anderson, local welterweight, scored a booming ninth round knockout over "Sweet" Herbie Lee at Steelworkers Hall, on the Izzy Caplan-Buddy Wagner promotion.

Lee, who hadn't fought in Baltimore rings for years, came back to the site of his greatest triumphs and sought to regain his popularity.

The Washington ringman did well for eight rounds with the bout just about all even. In the ninth round, with Alvin now sporting a 14-1 record three straight rights landed solidly on Herbie's chin and he hit the floor so hard it seemed that his body bounced on the rings canvas.

Lee regained his feet at eight only to have Anderson move in for the kill. A flurry of punches touched off with another right smack on the chin left Lee in a heap. Tom Kelly immediately called a halt.

Baltimore's Charley Caughlin, 165, outpointed Roy Ingram, 165, Philadelphia, with a unanimous six decision.

Eddie Duncan, Philadelphia, looked dynamic in disposing of Baltimore's Bobby Haynes in the second round of a scheduled six. Both of the battlers stood in the center of the ring exchanging wallops with the smoother Duncan emerging the K.O. victor, in this war of light heavyweights.

Teddy Cooper, 156, Washington, was extended to the limit by Charley Shuffard, Martinsville, Va. in a close six rounder. The heavier punching Cooper had trouble nailing his elusive foe. Cooper won a split decision.

Johnny Shuffard, Martinsville, Va., scored a three round TKO over Kayo Scott, Washington.

▲Vernon Mason, 149, Baltimore's prospect for honors in the welterweight division, took another step forward by winning an unanimous eight round decision over Arthur Kettles, of Asbury Park, N.J. on the Izzy Caplan-Buddy Wagner promotion at the Steelworkers Hall. Mason, who now has won 8 straight at the Steelworkers, has won 10 of 11 there with one of them being a draw. Kettles gave the localite plenty of trouble with his crowding tactics, not giving Mason much room for counter punching. Mason solved this by stepping back a step and pumping in smart combinations to body and head with both hands. The fans liked the bout and gave both lads a big hand.

Johnny Gant, 142, of Washington, a ranked junior welterweight, was hard put to pull out what looked like an upset in the making when a hard right found the chin of Otha Tyson, 141, of Secaucus, N.J., just at the bell ending the fifth round that spun Tyson around and sent him headlong into his corner where his seconds hurried into the ring to come to the aid of their stricken fighter. That one punch did the trick as the shaky Tyson took some real cannonading at the start of the sixth. He was draped over the rope in a helpless condition where referee Terry Moore counted him out.

A future star in the person of Ramades Cabrera was unveiled for the Baltimore fans. Cabrera, a New York-based Puerto Rican, gave Irish Jimmy Smith of Philadelphia a real trimming before the referee stopped the uneven contest in the fifth round of a middleweight go. A thundering right deposited Smith on the canvas with a thud only to have Smith jump right up for more action. The fans loved it and whooped it up throughout the entire bout.

Jimmy Shedrick, Philadelphia junior welterweight, TKO'd Bernardo Amonte in the fifth of an action packed scheduled sixer. Shedrick, being the harder puncher, wore his plucky foe out in the end. The fifth found Amonte completely at his foe's mercy when the bout was stopped.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

AMERICAN CARROLL FAILS AGAINST FINNEGAN IN TEN

By EDDIE LONG

LONDON, England—British boxing is in a state which demands an early rally. What with Joe Bugner beaten by Jack Bodell, and Bodell knocked out in one round by Jerry Quarry, big time fighting here is in the doldrums.

Apparently as an economy measure, fights now are scheduled for six and eight rounds, rarely for ten. Some fights are run in two minute rounds.

One club, Bull Ring in Birmingham, put on a bout with eight two minute rounds. Cut eyes and careless decisions also mess up the situation.

British and Commonwealth cruiserweight champion Chris Finnegan, 170, put himself in line for a shot at the world title when he outpointed Hal 'TNT' Carroll, U.S.A., 173¾, over ten rounds.

The score of 49¾-49¼ flattered Carroll. He was rarely in the fight, and there was little sign of the power that had brought him his 'TNT' tag. After a good first round he fizzled out like a damp squib.

Finnegan refused to be taken out of his stride, and stuck to his orthodox southpaw right jab to file up the points. When Carroll did attack, several of his blows were slaps, and even when he did catch Chris the latter didn't appear perturbed.

Carroll was once warned to put more action into it, and in the fifth Finnegan was cut on the right eyebrow. But it yielded to treatment, and gave him no trouble.

It was double defeat for America, as Frankie Lewis, Akron, 149, was easily outpointed by Southern Area welter champion Bernie Terrell, Edmonton, 146½, over eight, 39¾-38¾.

Only a few weeks earlier Lewis had drawn with Johnny Stracey in the same ring, and Lewis made things easier for him by lowering his head, an offence for which he incurred warnings.

Terrell got a cut under the right eye in the fifth, but remained unworried, and might well have finished it inside the distance, as weary Lewis made little attempt to fight back.

A boxer can always do with a stroke of luck, and the gods smiled on Johnny Clark, Walworth, in his bantamweight clash with John Kellie, Dundee, Clark winning on an eighth-round stoppage.

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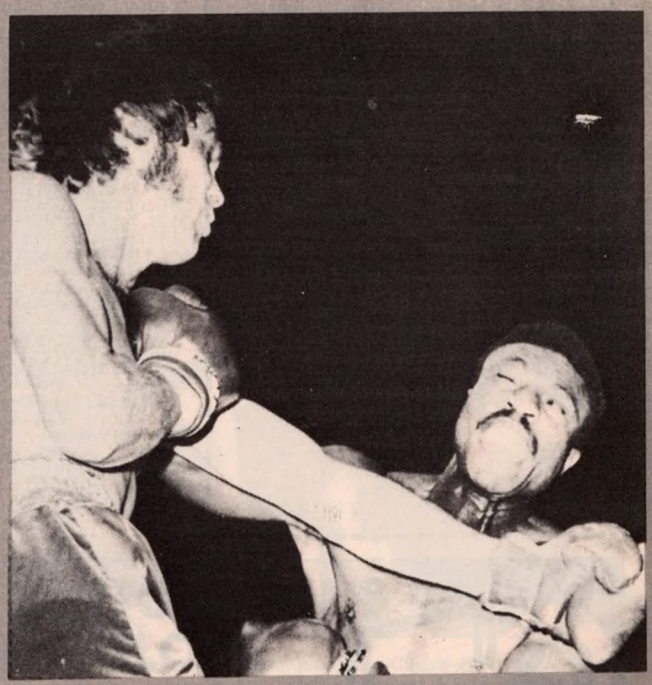

Chris Finnegan smashes a left to the jaw of Hal Carroll during their 10-rounder at London. The British and Commonwealth titleholder captured the decision by the margin of one-half point.

BRISTISH EMPIRE RATINGS

AS OF DECEMBER 15, 1971

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion:
Jack Bodell (E)

1. George Chuvalo (C)
2. Joe Bugner (E)
3. Dan McAlinden (I)
4. Bill Drover (C)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Richard Dunn (E)
7. Rocky Campbell (An)
8. Mani Vakat (T)
9. Roger Tighe (E)
10. Foster Birbron (A)

CRUISERWEIGHT

Champion:
Chris Finnegan (E)

1. Eddie Avoth (W)
2. Lloyd Walford (J)
3. Roy John (W)
4. Johnny Frankham (E)
5. Dave Hawkes (E)
6. Guinea Roger (N)
7. Johnny Gorkum (A)
8. Ronnie Wilson (C)
9. Keith Drewett (E)
10. John Conteh (E)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion:
Bunny Sterling (J)

1. Mark Rowe (E)
2. Les McAteer (E)
3. Carlos Marks (T)
4. Harry Scott (E)
5. Tony Mundine (A)
6. Donato Paduano (C)
7. Eric Blake (E)
8. Matt Donovan (J)
9. Howard Sharpe (J)
10. Pat Dwyer (E)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion:
Ralph Charles (E)

1. Clyde Grant (C)
2. Peter Cobblah (G)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Johnny Cooke (E)
5. Bernie Terrell (E)
6. Eddie Blay (G)
7. Rey Cantin (C)
8. Frank Young (I)
9. Ricky Porter (E)
10. Teddy Meho (G)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion:
Percy Hayles (J)

1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Al Ford (C)
3. Joe Tetteh (G)
4. Manny Santos (NZ)
5. Johnny O'Brien (S)
6. Jeff White (A)
7. Jim Watt (S)
8. Willie Reilly (S)
9. Hector Thompson (A)
10. Jonathan Dele (N)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Champion:
Toro George (NZ)

1. Love Allotey (G)
2. Evan Armstrong (S)
3. Jimmy Bell (S)
4. Tommy Glencross (S)
5. Rocky McDougall (C)
6. Howard Hayes (E)
7. Billy McGrandle (C)
8. Lucky Gattelari (A)
9. Les Gillis (C)
10. Bill Moeller (A)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion:
Alan Rudkin (E)

1. Paul Ferreri
2. Johnny Clark (E)
3. John Kellie (S)
4. Bob Allotey (G)
5. Paddy Graham (I)
6. Colin Miles (W)
7. Tony Humm (E)
8. Paddy Maguire (I)
9. Joe Annetta (A)
10. Harry Hayes (A)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion:
Henry Nissen (A)

1. John McCluskey (S)

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NAPOLES WINS SLOW 10 OVER OSUNA

By EDUARDO AMER G.

MEXICO, D.F.—World welterweight champion Jose "Mantequilla" Napoles, 150, won a decision from Jose Esteban Osuna, 148, of Argentina, in ten rounds. It was a slow fight because the South American is a fighter who is excessively defensive.

Carlos Mendoza, 118, of Panama, technically stopped Rafael "Tanquecito" Gonzalez, 118, in seven. Promising Arturo "Mulato" Zuniga, 144, stablemate of Napoles, halted Ray Reyes, 145, in 4. Fede Quintana, 117, iced Erasto Islas, 116, in 1. Polo Barajas, 134, embalmed Al Castro, 133, in three.

▲**TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS:** Romeo Anaya, 117, is the new Mexican bantamweight champion. He knocked Alfredo Meneses, 116, out in the third round. Anaya was knocked down in the first and third rounds, but he floored Menses also in the opening round and demolished him in 3. Lalo Moreno, 134, TKO'd Chucho Flores, 133, in 7. Candelario "Chiquis" Fernandez, 112, bested Jose "Fachoso" Cruz Garcia, 114, in 10. "Chamaco" Lopez, 113, tko'd Gaby Morgan, 112, and became the new flyweight king of Chiapas State.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Octavio "Famoso" Gomez, 120, tko'd Kid Pascualito, 121, in five, of Paraguay. Rosendo Ruvalcaba, 145, stopped Celso Olivas, 146, in 5.

▲**REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS:** Daniel Gutierrez, 112, upset the dope when he technically kayoed Constancio "Rocky" Garcia, 112, Mexican flyweight Champ, in 8. The fight was not for the title. Kid Rubaldino, 117, retained the bantamweight crown of Tamaulipas State, stopping "Cuate" Salgado, 117, in 3.

▲**MERIDA YUCATAN:** Miguel Canto, 111, whipped Alberto "Castenito" Morales, 111, by a split decision in ten rounds. Joe Baquedano, 135, tko'd Mauricio "Charro" Gomez, 135, in two. "Panterita" Contreras, 128, and Manuel "Botas" Gomez, 128, drew in 10. Kid Valente, 111, outpointed Baby Gil, 111, in 8. Freddy Castillo, 105, tko'd Ranulfo Cano, 104, in 4.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Al Ford, 134, of USA, won as he pleased from Fermin Soto, 135, in 10. Jose Palacios, 146, kayoed Chucho Garay, 146, in the tenth and last round. Victor Ramirez, 116, tko'd Goyo Martinez, 117, in 4. Pablo Rueda, 132, KO'd Jose Santamaria, 133, in two. Raul Montes, 111, outscored Evodio Ortiz, 110, in 4.

▲**SALTILLO, COAHUILA:** Clemente Sanchez, 138, after being floored in the first round, tko'd Monico Martinez, 138, in 5. Juan Manuel Ursua, 123, polished off Frankie Butierrez, 123, in five.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** "Chocolate" Ramos, 136, decisioned Silvano Estopier, 134, in ten. Jesus Cuica, 112, flattened Jose Curiel, 112, in 5.

▲**TLALNEPANTLA, ESTADO DE MEXICO:** Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 135, tko'd Sotero Cabrera, 134, in 4.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Antonio Alcala, 132, and Joaquin Ulloa, 128, drew in ten.

▲**MORELIA, MICHOACAN:** Juan Fabila, 125, defeated Jose Pozos, 124, in ten. Leon Meza, 116, tko'd Felipe Ortega, 117, in 8.

▲**COSUMEL, QUINTANA ROO:** "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, halted Panterita de Santa Cruz, 113, in 3.

▲**MEXICO, D. F.:** Jose Salas, 124, tko'd Manual Andrade, 124, in one. Salvador Torres, 123, tko's Ele Delgado, 123, in four.

▲**VILLAHERMOSA, TABASCO:** Arturo Leon, 118, TKO'd Margarito "Magallo" Lozada, 117, in 8.

▲**DZILAM GONZALEZ, YUCATAN:** Alfredo "Chamaco" Rodriguez, 112, and Kid Valente, 113, drew in 6. Kid Mexo, 113, tko'd Manuel "Torito" Euan, 114, in two.

▲**BACA, YUCATAN:** Mario "Zurdo" Mendez, 124, stopped "Coyote" Gomez, 122, in two. Gustavo Espadas, 111, and Panterita de Santa Cruz, 111, drew in 6.

▲**TENOSIQUE, TABASCO:** Kid Copetes, 112, outscored "Gavilan" Martinez, 115, in ten.

▲**CHETUMAL, QUINTANA ROO:** Kid Copetes, 112, halted Joe del Angel, 114, in 6. Antonio "Zorro" Franco, 130, KO'd Joaquin "Chamaco" Hoil, 131, in 2. Chuy Arellano, 124, embalmed Francisco "Mugre" Montalvo, 123, in 5.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Diego Martinez, 119, demolished "Changa" Guillen, 120, in five. Romualdo Galindo, 124, stopped Ruben Perez, 124, in 6.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Jose Media, 135, and Rogelio Fernandez, 134, drew in 10. "Mosco" Lazano, 116, TKO'd Alfonso Aguilar, 117, in 3.

▲**TORREON, COAHUILA:** Sigfrido Rodriguez, 132, outpointed Chucho Almazan, 133, in 10. Oscar "Osito" Martinez, 112, tko'd Jacinto Martinez, 112, in 3. "Negro" Villanueva, 130, tko'd Lupe Arriaga, 129, in 3.

▲**SAN PEDRO, COAHUILA:** Antonio Puebla, 156, won by a disqualification from Javier "Ringo" Reyes, 157, in seven.

▲**ACAPULCO, GUERRERO:** Antonio Munoz, 113, outboxed Lucio del Rio, 112, in ten. Victorio Hernandez, 116, KO'd Carlos Hernandez, 116, in 4.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Jesus "Mortero" Alonso, 127, nailed Alfredo Coria, 128, of Argentina, in two. Memo Cruz, 123, TKO'd Carlos Tornes, 124, in seven. Rosalio Muro, 123, tko'd "Texano" Adame, 123, in one. Antonio Kiris, 110, won from "Zorro" Carrillo, 111, in six. Luis Torres, 111, beat Alejandro Basilio, 111, in 6.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Roberto Alvarez, 112, tko'd Jose Luis Morales (who also used to fight under the nickname of "Ranita" Torres, 115, in 7. Raymundo Martinez, 124, tko'd Tomas Diaz, 124, in 3.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Leonel Garcia, 125, decisioned Antonio Aranda, 124, in ten. Francisco Tovar, 125, and Paco Reyes, 125, drew in ten.

▲**CULIACAN, SINALOA:** Sebastian Echegaray, 124, stopped Vicente Garcia, 125, former Mexican featherweight king, who is washed off.

▲**NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** Lester Marquez, 124, tko'd Saul Montana, 122, in seven.

▲**BACA, YUCATAN:** Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 130, halted Raul "Dandy" Rodriguez, 133, in three.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Mario Marquez, 145, and Gustavo Garcia, 147, drew in ten. Nacho Lemeli, 116, tko'd Felix Ortega, 117, in 7.

▲**AGUASCALIENTES:** Cornelio "Memin" Vega, 124, tko'd Memo Ramirez, 125, in 3.

▲**ACAPULCO, GUERRERO:** Antonio Munoz, 116, tko'd Alfredo Segura, 117, in 7.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JASLICO:** Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 134, decisioned Aurelio Muniz, 131, in ten. It was a great fight. Cuco Nieves, 134, TKO'd Chuy Llanos, 134, in seven.

▲**MEXICO, D.F.:** Fernando Martinez, 129, tko'd Apolo Yoshio, 127, of Japan, in six. Leo Palacios, 112, won over Raul Noria, 113, in ten. Polo Barajas, 133, TKO'd Jose Macias, 134, in the first round. Martin Corona, 116, polished off Alejandro Davila, 116, in two.

▲**VILLAHERMOSA, TABASCO:** Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 130, lost to Ruben "Chocolate" Ramos, 136, in ten. Jose Guillermo "Torero" Bracamonte, 126, stopped Carlos Lira, 125, in six. William Valencia, 134, halted Battling Garcia, 136, in the tenth and last round.

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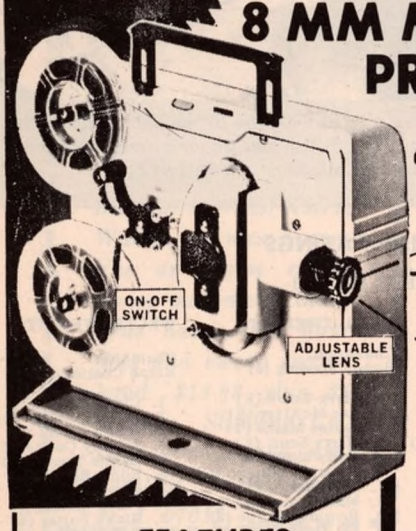

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Carrasco's Peculiar "Win" Over Ramos Still Puzzles

By J.A. TREE

BERLIN, Germany—Nigerian referee Samuel Odubote's inexplicable decision favoring Pedro Carrasco over American Mando Ramos by disqualification on a doubtful foul, ending the fight before the 12th round could get under way, still is the big point of discussion in Continental boxing.

The first round KO of Jack Bodell, British and European heavyweight champion, by Jerry Quarry, USA, is another subject for widespread discussion, bringing, as it does, European heavyweight poverty to world notice as never before.

The Odubote decision defies analysis. The blame does not rest on the inexperienced Nigerian. It goes to the Madrid promoter, the Spanish authorities and the EBU.

Nessim Cohen, beaten by Emile Griffith in New York, lost the French middleweight title to Fabio Bettini in 12 rounds at Perpignan.

Marcel Cerdan, overrated in the U.S.A., was outpointed by Italy's Pietro Gaspari before 5,000 at St. Etienne.

There is talk of Cerdan's being called back to New York to fight former lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz, on a comeback. Somebody likes Cerdan.

A little discussed world title changed hands in Tokyo where Italian 32-year-old Carmelo Bossi handed over his junior middleweight title to Koichi Wajima, Japan.

Best bout of the month was the Tom Bogs-Bunny Sterling ten-rounder in Copenhagen. It was a hard and close battle with Sterling putting on a garrison finish to get German referee Rudolf Drust's vote, 48-47.

In San Remo, European lightweight champion Antonio Puddu, Italy, retained his title, outpointing his French challenger, Pierre Claude Thomias, in 15. Spanish referee Juan Risto made the two boxers all square 69-69, but the two judges voted for Puddu 74-69 and 74-70.

DENMARK

▲**Copenhagen:** Bunny Sterling, Jamaican-born holder of the British and Commonwealth middleweight titles, socred his 23rd victory, outpointing former European champion, Tom Bogs, Denmark, in ten.

Promoter Mogen Palle's promotion attracted more than four thousand.

Bogs had his first taste of defeat after 54 starts when he faced Emile Griffith. Sterling was the fourth man to beat the Dane who has 64 starts to his credit.

This reverse came as a surprise. Bogs' recent comeback saw him beat Jose Chirino and

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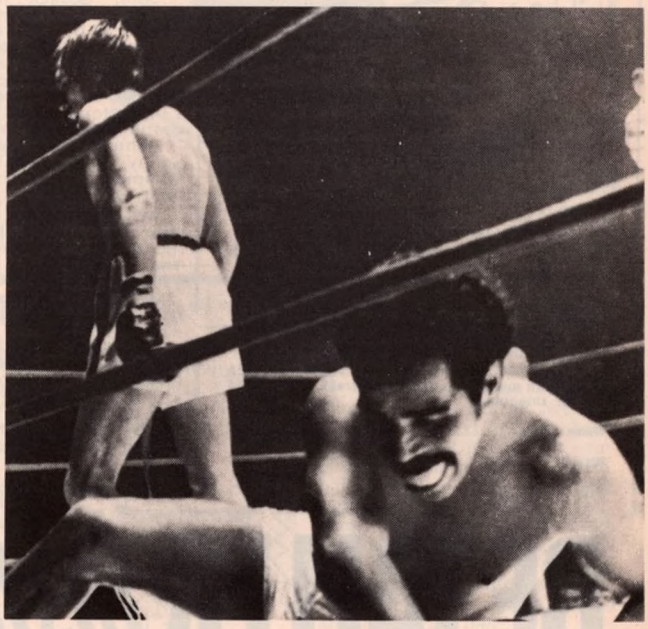

European middleweight champion Jean-Claude Bouttier walks to a neutral corner after flooring Raul Soriano for the full count in their scheduled 10-rounder at Paris.

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Heavyweights
*1. Jack Bodell (GB)
2. Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain (S)
3. Jurgen Blin (G)
4. Dante Cane (I)
5. Guiseppe Ros (I)
6. Mario Baruzzi (I)
7. Horst Benedens (G)
8. Rudi Lubbers (H)
9. Giogi Bambini (I)
10. Mario Echevarria (S)

Light Heavies
*1. Conny Velensek (G)
2. Piero del Papa (I)
3. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
4. Jan Lubbers (H)
5. Franco Macchia (I)
6. Jacques Marty (F)
7. Luigi Patruno (I)
8. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
9. Bas van Duivenbode (H)
10. Guerrino Scattolin (I)

Middleweights
1. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
2. Carlos Duran (I)
3. Nino Benvenuti (I)
4. Tom Bogs (D)
5. Max Cohen (F)
6. Luciano Sarti (I)
7. Mario Romersi (I)
8. Mario Lamagna (I)
9. Mario Almanzo (I)
10. Massimo Bruschini (I)

Junior Middles
*1. Jose Hernandez (S)
2. Carmelo Bossi (I)
3. Jacques Kechichian (F)
4. Domenico Tiberia (I)
5. Johann Orsolics (A)
6. Remo Golfarini (I)
7. Fabio Bettini (I)
8. Jean Rolland (F)
9. Roberto Sgrazzutti (I)
10. Aldo Battistutta (I)

Welterweights
*1. Roger Menetrey (F)
2. Silvano Bertini (I)
3. Robert Gallois (F)
4. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
5. Pietro Gaspari (I)
6. Marcel Cerdan (F)
7. Jose Duran (S)
8. Marco Scano (I)
9. Jorgen Hansen (D)
10. Anton Gonzalez (S)

Junior Welters
*1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Bruno Acari (I)
3. Rene Roque (F)
4. Cemal Kamaci (A)
5. Roger Zami (F)
6. Piero Ceru (I)
7. Baldassari Picone (F)
8. Tony Ortiz (S)
9. Romano Fanali (I)
10. Barrera Corpas (S)

Lightweights
*1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Miguel Velasquez (S)
3. Piere LaJaouen (F)
4. Enzo Petriglia (I)
5. Claude Thomias (F)
6. Kid Tano (S)
7. Carmelo Cosscia (I)
8. Enzo Pizzon (I)
9. Leonard Tavarres (S)
10. Piero Maraviglia (I)

Junior Lights
*1. Tommasco Galli (I)
2. Lothar Abend (G)
3. Ugo Poli (I)
4. Jean de Keers (B)
5. Oranzo Pesare (I)
6. Mario Redi (I)
7. Luis Aissa (S)
8. Felix Brami (F)
9. Valentin Loren (S)
10. Mario Sanna (I)

Featherweights
*1. Jose Legra (S)
2. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
3. Daniel Vermandere (F)
4. Augusto Civardi (I)
5. Jean Anton (F)
6. Elio Cotena (I)
7. Jose Arranz (S)
8. Bruno Arranz (S)
9. Renato Galli (I)
10. Nevio Carbi (I)

Bantamweights
*1. Augustin Senin (S)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Antonio Sassarini (I)
4. Enzo Farinelli (I)
5. Guy Caudron (F)
6. Michele D'Anato (I)
7. Pierre Vetroff (F)
8. Marc van Domme (F)
9. Claude Lapinte (I)
10. Ambrogio Mariani (I)

Flyweights
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
4. Luigi Boschi (I)
5. Michel Spina (I)
6. Gerard Macrez (F)
7. Dino Contemori (I)
8. Angel Spano (I)
9. Kid Romero (S)
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HARRIS LACERATES COBBS, GARY BROUGHTON BEATEN

By ELLIOTT HARVITH

DETROIT, MICH.—Ron Harris, 148, Detroit, stopped Don Cobbs, 153, St. Louis, at the Fairgrounds, to make his comeback after a two and a half year layoff a success.

Harris opened up a bad cut over Cobb's left eye in the first round. The cut became serious in the second round and the bout was stopped for the ring doctor to look at Cobb's eye. The battle was renewed. Harris continued to slash Cobb's eye and the bout was terminated when Cobbs was not allowed to come out for round 3. Harris is now 19-1-1.

Roy McMillian, 148, Toledo, took an 8 round duke over Top Cat Jackson, 151, Detroit, in a slugfest. Top Cat is now 10-2-1.

John "BoJack" Mangum, 164, Detroit took an 8 round decision over George McGee, 164, Toledo, to post his record at 6-0.

▲Tommy Hanna, 160, Detroit, took a 10-round duke over the former Champion of Canada, Gary Broughton, 157, Brantford, Ontario, at the Fairgrounds, Hanna who is now 13-2-1, took every round, giving Broughton a beating, shelling him with devastating blows.

John Summerhays, 139, Brantford, stopped Sonny Oliver, 138, Akron, in 5 in a rematch, Summerhays is now 9-0, all by KO save the first fight, with Oliver.

▲**OMAHA**—In a pre-lim at the Civic Aud Dean Oswald, 196, Bay City, Mich. quit after 2 rounds against Morris Jackson, 221, Omaha. This was Oswald's first fight since Mar. 15, 1968 and his record is now 3-2.

▲**DETROIT**—Harry Light, who promoted 2 fight cards in Detroit during 1940 died at age 73.

▲**DETROIT**—Detroit middleweight Knock-out Simelton was sent back to Jackson State Prison for a 4½ to 5 year term, ending the career of a great prospect. Simelton's story is incredible. He was sent to prison in his teens and released 9 years later. He then became a pro fighter and compiled a string of KO's in less than a year's time. Last year he was sent back to prison. He was released last July. He was rearrested the same day.

BRISCOE STILL CLIMBING, ● AUSTIN IS CINCH IN ONE ●

By ARCHIE PIROLLI

Philadelphia, Pa.—Bennie Briscoe scored his 32nd knockout by halting Charley (Bad News) Austin, San Diego, at 1.46 of the first round at the Arena.

Briscoe, 158, dropped Austin, 164, with his first punch—a right cross—in less than 10 seconds. Austin got up and was blasted across the ring. He hung on the ropes while Briscoe pounded away before the referee stopped it. Bennie now is 39-9-2. Austin is 38-36-6.

The semifinal 10-rounder saw Mexican Jose Luis Lopez knock out Trenton favorite Sammy Goss in the sixth round. Lopez, 127, lost only the first round and gave Goss, 127, more than he could handle for the rest of the night, finally cornering Goss in round six and slamming away with both fists before it was halted. Lopez is 44-10-3, to 25-3 for Goss.

Philadelphia welterweight William Watson, 148, won his eighth straight after one loss by stopping John (Wildcat) Sanders, 151, in the sixth round.

Arthur Kettles, 148, Asbury Park, N.J., outpointed George Ange, 152, in a six-rounder. Ray Hall, 124, Norristown, decisioned, Johnny Ravens, 129, in four.

▲At Blue Horizon, heavyweight Jimmy Young, 196, took a boring eight-round verdict from Brooklyn veteran Lou Hicks, 189, in the windup. Young is 6-2. Hicks is 10-17-3.

Roland Marshall, 160, knocked out Junius Hinton, 165, Brooklyn, in the fourth, and Willie Daniels, 135, Trenton, decisioned Johnny Howard, 135, Richmond, in 8.

In four-rounders, John Martino, 155, outpointed Robert Zeigler, 154½, and Gil Massey, 139, North Philadelphia, outpointed Al Wade, 136, Brooklyn.

▲J. Russel Peltz has promoted his last show at the Blue Horizon. Peltz's withdrawal leaves small-time boxing to Bob Montgomery, former lightweight champion, who will promote exclusively at this small club. Peltz said there was not enough talent for two promoters in the same small club.

Roy Williams, 228, Philadelphia knocked out Mack Harrison, 195, Akron, in the first round. Williams, the newest Philadelphia prospect, ran his record to 14-2.

Otto Tyson, 141, defeated Andre Reed, 139, in six; Jimmy Savage, 150, decisioned Nikita Tarhocker, 152, in four; Weldon Hudson, 149, KO'd Ray Davis, 145, in the third; and Joey Pandolfo, 139, and Jose Santiago, 132, drew in four.

▲A pair of Pittsburghers suffered defeat here at the Blue Horizon. Sam McGill and Kenny Baker were stopped in the double windup of Bob Montgomery's second promotion.

Greatly outweighed and outgunned, McGill was finished off by local heavyweight Johnny Gause in the seventh round.

Camden heavyweight Eddie (Beau Jack) Williams, who spotted Baker 10 pounds disposed of him in the fourth. Gause scaled 210 to McGill's 191. Baker weighed 181, 17 pounds more than Williams.

Jimmy Smith decisioned Otis Goode, of Akron.

Eddie Murray, former National Golden gloves lightweight champion from Chicago, stopped Larry Holland in the third round. They weighed 138 each. Local welterweights, Greg Birch, 145, and Jimmy Savage, 147, battled four rounds even.

GANT HALTS ALICIA ● ON WASHINGTON CARD ●

By CHRIS CLINE

Washington, D.C.—Promotor Paul Tibbs had another show at National Arena here. In the main event Washington's junior welter flash Johnny Gant stopped ancient Marcelino Alicia in the third round. Gant weighed 143 and Alicia 145.

In other bouts, hard luck Stanley Jackson lost again, this time in six rounds, to Jose Anglada. Both weighed 160.

Johnny Martin of D. C. ran into a right hand and was stopped at 1:25 of the first round by G.G. Maldonado of Paterson, N.J. heavyweight.

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Our files show that thousands of readers like yourself want to build bulging muscles and achieve real physical power like their favorite athletic champions. How to go about it? We decided to ask an expert, Dave Prowse, 3-times British Weightlifting champion and leading fitness expert. Here are his answers.

Q. *What does it take to build muscles?*

A. Basically, it takes exercise. Almost any exercise will help to develop at least some of your muscles if you keep at it long enough and hard enough.

Q. *Isn't there an easier way?*

A. Yes. There is one outstandingly effective training method that is also fast and easy – the one I use and recommend – the new Bullworker system.

Q. *What's that?*

A. The Bullworker is a revolutionary new muscle-building exerciser based on Isometrics, the science that increases strength up to four times faster than conventional methods. In my opinion, it's the most advanced training system in the world today. Many leading athletes use it: World-famous Heavyweight Boxer Muhammad Ali, World Heavyweight Judo Champion Wim Ruska, and Cycling Champion Eddy Merckx, to name only a few.

Q. *How long does Bullworker training take?*

A. Bullworker provides absolutely the fastest kind of exercise possible. In fact, an introduction training program takes only 70 seconds a day. No other system – weightlifting, pulleys, or strenuous calisthenics – can give you results so quickly and easily. On the contrary, many old-fashioned methods take hours of sweaty, boring work each day... and it's often months before you begin to see improvements. Busy professional athletes and champions don't have time for that. Nobody does.

Q. *How long does it take before you begin getting results?*

A. With the Bullworker, you can actually begin to see and measure the positive results right from the very first day! Thanks to a built-in measuring device called the Powermeter. After every exercise you just check the reading to see exactly how much your strength has increased from the day before. There's no guesswork involved. Isometric Bullworker training can increase your power at the amazing rate of up to 4% per week! That means a 50% increase in strength in the first three months alone. And I've known many young men who have gone on to double and even triple their strength.

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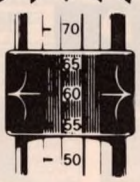

Q. *But to get such impressive results, don't you have to work very hard?*

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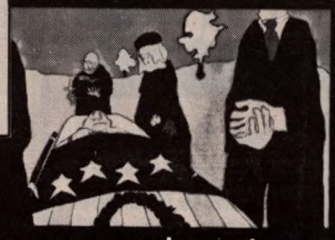

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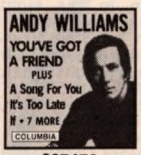

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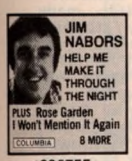

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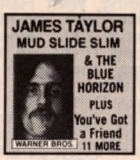

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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Six months earlier Kellie stopped Clark in two, in a final eliminator for the British title.

This qualified Kellie for a shot at Alan Rudkin's crown, and afterwards Clark revealed that he had not been well. Subsequently it was found that he had a blood infection which threatened to end his career. He recovered, and when Rudkin had to pull out of his defense against Kellie because of an operation to remove bone chips from his elbow, the latter was offered a fight with Clark.

Both accepted, and Kellie's right to meet Rudkin was protected as both weighed in over the bantamweight limit. But Clark boxed superbly, and cut his man down to size. He jabbed accurately, later crossing his right, and Kellie eventually succumbed.

Apart from one period in the sixth, Clark was on top. Kellie's right eye was closed, his mouth and nose gory. He injured his right hand.

The problem remains as to whether a title fight between Rudkin and Kellie would be a box-office draw after the latter's defeat by Clark.

Seven out of seven for Dave Needham, Nottingham, 121, who outpointed Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 125¾, over eight, by 40-38¼. Southpaw Needham always had control, but Hardacre traded him punch for punch for as long as he could.

Former amateur star Tom Imrie, Glasgow, 161½, made a welcome return, knocking out substitute Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 167, in 2 min. 15sec. of the first round after flooring him for seven.

Special attraction was the appearance of Muhammad Ali.

▲**National Sporting Club, London:**Could be the end of the road for Carl Gizzi, Rhyl (201), who lost his Welsh heavyweight title to Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, 190½, over ten rounds, 49¼-49.

Avoth was given little chance of winning this one, but his victory was due more to Carl's decline than a spectacular performance of his own part. Two years ago Gizzi was fighting for the British title. He couldn't give four years in age, plus height, weight and reach, to Avoth, who never stopped throwing punches, even if some of them weren't on target.

Billy Waith, Cardiff, 128, continued to improve, and made it 12 out of 13 by outpointing Young Silky, Leeds, 125¼, over eight by 40-38. Silky was down for five in the sixth.

Les Avoth, Cardiff, 162¼, emulated his brother Dennis and outscored Billy Brooks, Chiswick, 163¼, over six by 30-28½, a margin tough on Brooks.

Pat Marshall, Bristol, 147, stopped Lex Wilson, Battersea, 149, in the at the end of the third, the latter retiring from leg cramp.

▲**Bloomsbury Centre Hotel, London:**—Lloyd Walford, Jamaica, 176½, one of the best Commonwealth cruiserweights based in Britain, gained a comfortable eight-rounds points win over Guinea Roger, Nigeria, 177, by 40-38½.

Roger essayed a few swings which looked dangerous, but for the most part Walford's jabbing was too much for the Nigerian.

Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 127, stopped Karim Young, Nigeria, 127, in five. Hardacre looked to be getting on top when the closure was applied. Young protested. He could have been justified.

Joe Yekinni, Nigeria, 147, kayoed Jim Moore, Bradford, 146½, in four. Yekinni, was down for three in the third, but there was no doubt about his final attack. Moore was unable to leave the ring for a few minutes.

Mick Hinton, Penge, 151½, stopped Bob Langley, 148½, in five, after flooring him for nine. Accurate jabbing did the trick.

Simon Rawlings, Wolverhampton, 142, outpointed Angus McMillan, Glasgow, 142, by 39¾-39½ over eight (two-minute) rounds. McMillan boxed well early, but tired.

▲**Derby**—Scottish middleweight champion Don McMillan, Glasgow, 160¼, narrowly outpointed Tom Bell, Grenada, 160¼, over eight by 39¾-39½. It could have been a draw.

Freddie Williams, Nuneaton, 131, outscored Doug Garrity, Liverpool, 139, over six by 30-28½. Williams was the more accomplished craftsman, but Garrity showed fine determination, and never stopped trying.

Barton McAllister, Clapham, 139, outscored Freddie McMillan, Glasgow, 138, by 29¾-29¼ over six.

Mickey Lynch, Loughborough, 121½, gained a six-rounds points win over John McKnight, Glasgow, 117¼, by 30-29.

▲**Manchester:**—Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 150, has been beaten at last—after ten straight wins. The man who did it was Alan Reid, Edinburgh, 148½, who avenged a points defeat a few months earlier.

Reid had a shaky start, but then got into his stride, and kept punching away, giving his opponent no time to settle. Score, 29¾-29¼.

Steve Cleaver, Cardiff, 142, outpointed Mohammed Ellah, Ghana, 148, by 29¾-29¼, over six.

Neil Gauci, Cardiff, 127½, drew with Dave Grantley, Hull, 127, over six. Score 29½-29½, at the Oceans 11 Club.

▲**Shoreditch Town Hall, London**—This venue has the longest run of any small-hall show in Britain. The normal exciting atmosphere applied again when Pat McCormack, Briston, 140½, stopped Phil Dykes, Liverpool, 143, in four.

Inactive for 13 months, Dykes couldn't have been expected to extend the hard-punching McCormack, and it came as no surprise when Phil's corner retired him at the end of the fourth. He kept going in spite of being floored in the second (up without a count). He was on his knees as the bell ended the fourth.

Another substitute, Dennis Flynn, Enfield, 130½, outpointed Mickey Oats, Walthamstow, 133¼, over six, by 29½-29¼. Could have gone either way, the sort of bout that makes a referee's task unenviable. Flynn was floored twice and had a cut eye.

A fight is never lost until it is won. Brian Harding, West Ham, 126, was on his way to a comfortable points win over Arrow Abu, Nigeria, 127½, when he got clumped on the jaw in the fifth. He rose at eight, but was still groggy, and the bout was stopped.

Johnny Wall, Shoreditch, 163½, stopped Bobby Barrett, Battersea, 165¼, in four.

Bob French, Woking, 189, drew with Dave Cooper, Willesden, 210, over six. It was French's first paid fight.

▲**World Sporting Club, London:**—John Conteh, Liverpool, 175¾, former ABC cruiser champ, had it easy in his pro debut, knocking out substitute Okacha Boubekeur, Algeria, 167, in 56 seconds.

Conteh, who has a Sierra Leone father and an English mother, jabbed Okacha to stop him in his tracks and then clouted him on the jaw with a left hook that put him down with the Algerian counted out in the act of rising.

Decked for six in the first round, Pat Dwyer, Liverpool, 159, held on grimly until his senses cleared and then proceeded to get on top, eventually stopping his man in the fourth, putting Cranswick down for nine before the referee intervened.

Les Stevens, Reading, 192½, outpointed Dave Hallinan, Cricklewood, 208, in a tough six-rounder by 30-28¾.

Dave Roden, Birmingham, 196, kayoed Bert Johnson, Forest Hill, 214, in the fifth after being floored for nine in the second.

▲**Southend Cliffs Pavilion:**—Jackie (nephew of Randolph) Turpin, Leamington, 145, knocked out Barry Calderwood, Manchester, 153, in 75 seconds, Jackie's tenth straight by the quick route.

Decked for eight in the opening seconds, Barry never had a chance to recover, and after a couple of rights had bounced off his head, he went down for good.

Howard Sharpe, Jamaica, 162, outscored Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 164, over eight by 39½-39, having to settle for a points win after decking his man thrice.

George Gray, Harlesden, 172, revealed the better boxing in his points win over Dervan Airey, Jamaica, 177.

Barry Clough, Stoke, 177, drew with Mick Quigley, Islington, 177, over six. Each had beaten the other in previous bouts.

Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 144, gained a six-rounds points win over Leroy Mack, Jamaica, 150.

In his pro debut Vic Humphries, West Indies, 170, drew with Dave Parris, Tottenham, 173, over six.

▲**Century Sporting Club, Croydon:**—Angus McMillan, 138, outscored Sammy Lockhart, Lisburn, 134, over eight, in the opening show at this venue.

Lockhart was down for two counts in the seventh, but came back when McMillan got an eye injury in the final session.

Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 150, gave a fine display of skill by outpointing Joe Yekkini, Nigeria, 144½, over eight by 39¾-38½. Yekkini's pluck and aggression was not good enough.

Mick Hinton, Penge, 149, outpointed Dusty Smith, Cricklewood, over six by 30-29. Hinton was down in the third, and suffered an eye injury, but was always battling back.

▲**Double Diamond Club, Caerphilly:**—Del Phillips, Carmarthen, 198, outpointed Dave Hallinan, Cricklewood, 205, over eight by 39½-38½. In the fifth Hallinan shook his man with a right hook, then a left swing, but Phillips kept cool, and was good value for his victory.

Mike McCluskie, Llanelli, outpointed Tony Burnett, Cardiff, 162, over six by 29½-29¼, flooring his man for seven in the second.

▲**North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke-on-Trent**—Jamaican Bunny Johnson, 187, made up for two successive defeats by stopping Brian Jewett, Jarrow, 183, on an eye injury in the seventh.

Johnson was substituting for George Dulaire, and was well ahead on points when the end came.

▲**Anglo-American Sporting Club, London:**—Tony Humm, holder of the Southern Area bantam title, kept his crown by outpointing Eric Elderfield over ten rounds.

▲**Winter Gardens, Cleethorpes**—Flooring his man in the eighth and final session, Robin Polak, Nottingham, 147¾, clinched a points win by 39½-39 over Alan Reid, Glasgow, 148.

▲**Broadway Cinema, Bristol:**—Central Area heavyweight champion Billy Aird, Liverpool, 194, outpointed Rocky Campbell, Antigua, 186, over eight rounds. Score 39½-39.

▲**Bedfordshire Sporting Club:**—George McGurk, Jarrow, 135½, comfortably outpointed Jose Cascales, Spain, 135¼, over eight.

▲**York Hall, Bethnal Green, London:**—Johnny Stracey, Bethnal Green, 146½, made his unbeaten run up to 18 by stopping American Dave Wyatt, 149, in three. There were no knockdowns. Stracey was in command throughout against an opponent who was inclined to hit with the inside of the glove.

▲**Watford Town Hall:**—Cyclone Barth, Nigeria, 158, outpointed Clive Cook, Cardiff, 159, over eight by 39½-39¼. Barth showed plenty of aggression against his counter-punching opponent. Both had eye injuries.

▲**NSC, London**—Jim Watt, Glasgow, 135¼, halted Frenchman Leonard Tavarez, 133½, in nine rounds in a charity show watched by Prince Philip.

▲**Premier Ring S.C., London:**—Cliff Field, Dunstable, 200, stopped Dennis Forbes, Jamaica, 192, in four. Forbes was floored twice before the referee intervened. Field got a cut over the right eye in the opening session.

▲**NSC, London**—Bill Waith, Cardiff, 127½, took it easy against Frenchman Marcel Clolus, 125¼, and after a slow start warmed up to stop his man in four. Clolus' corner retired him at the end of that session, after the Frenchman had taken a deal of punishment. It was Waith's 14th win in 15 bouts.

Des Rea, Liverpool, 152, was doing well against Barry Calderwood, Manchester, 155, until his left eyelid was cut in the fifth round. The bout was stopped in favour of Calderwood, who had been floored for eight in the second round.

▲**Shoreditch Town Hall, London:**—Howard Hayes, Doncaster, 126, stopped Frenchman Jean-Pierre Hainault, 127, in three rounds.

▲**Bull Ring Sporting Club, Birmingham:**—Ernie Musso, Rhodesia, used to be one of the best welters in the business, but in his 30th year doesn't box often, and he now weighs 159. Against Scottish middleweight champion Don McMillan, Glasgow, 158, he was floored in the last round and looked groggy on rising, whereupon referee Frank Parkes intervened.

▲**World Sporting Club, London:**—Danny McAlinden, the Coventry-Irishman, 195, the man many believe will be the next British heavyweight champ, stopped American Dick Gosha in nine rounds. He has looked sharper.

Nevertheless Jerry Quarry couldn't stop Gosha earlier this year, so, based on this yardstick, perhaps it wasn't such a bad performance.

Gosha did his best to close it up by getting as near as he could to Mac. But Danny kept thumping away, and finally overwhelmed the American.

Floored twice for short counts, Gosha jabbed a bit, and punched a bit, but was mostly on the defensive.

▲**Cosmo Club, Carlisle:**—Mick Quigley, Islington, 177½, lost to Barry Clough, Stoke, 178. Clough got off the floor to win by 39½-39 over eight.

▲**Wolverhampton Civic Hall:**—It was Jackie Turpin again, now an assured favorite of the fans after his recent spate of quick wins. This time he decked American Al Romano four times including the full count in the second round.

▲**Epsom Baths**—Boxing returned to this venue after a long lapse, with Mick O'Neill, Colliers Wood, 163, stopping Mike McCluskie, Caerau, 162, in the fourth round.

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with Jones also wounded. The local lad suffered a mouth cut in the eighth round.

Referee Larry Rozadilla tabbed it 6-4, while judges Bob Dossey and John Thomas were in harmony, 5-4. There were no knockdowns.

Al Taylor, 126½, Baltimore, decisioned Julio Leak, 127, Mexicali, (6); Roberto Bonilla, 141, San Juan, P.R., KO over Rodolfo Olvera, 143, Los Angeles, (1); Lorenzo Maldonado, 120, Los Angeles, decisioned Cesar Chavez, 119, Mexicali, (4).

▲LOS ANGELES–Thurman Durden, one of Southern California's better prospects, earned a 10 round decision over Jorge Rosales, 152, Sonora, Mexico, at Olympic.

At the finish, Thurman looked more like the loser. He suffered cuts and a puffed eye. Rosales was unmarked.

Managed by Jackie McCoy and ranked by Ring, Durden dished out the heavier punches. Rosales was game and avoided getting knocked off his feet.

The verdict was split. Referee John Thomas liked Rosales, 5-4, but was overruled by judges Larry Rozadilla (5-4), and Abe Cohen, (5-4).

In a second 10-rounder, Javier Ayala, 133½, Tijuana, was an impressive winner over Buddy Bereal, 132, Los Angeles. Ayala dropped Bereal midway in the fifth round.

Jorge Jimenez, 121, East Los Angeles, KO over Jewel Chappel, 121½, Los Angeles, (3); Jose Medrano, 126, San Fernando, KO over Adolfo Alvaran, 142, Los Angeles, (1).

▲NORTHRIDGE–In a wild swinging, no-rules brawl, George Davis, 161, Oakland, dropped Samoa's Roy Ledoux, 160, three times enroute to a one sided decision at Devonshire Downs.

Ledoux, who shook Davis several times with right hands, was down once in the sixth and twice in the seventh. It was during the seventh that Roy tried to hit Davis with his back turned. Then the Oakland boxer wrestled the islander to the floor and missed with a left footed kick.

The scoring went like this: Referee Rudy Jordam, 7-1; judge Bobby Rings, 8-0, judge Abe Cohen, 7-1.

Carlos Barragan, 130½, San Diego, KO over Gabe Vega, 134, Los Angeles, (4); Antonio Fuentes, 115, Mexicali, KO over Gary Newmeyer, 117, Oakland, (3); Lance Cotton, 234, Oakland, KO over Dave Sherman, 218, Bakersfield, (4).

▲LOS ANGELES–David Sotelo hardly looked like a winner when he sank to the canvas from an apparent low blow in the eighth round of his scheduled 10-rounder with Vil Tumulak at Olympic.

At first, Sotelo said he couldn't continue, so referee George Latka had no choice but to call it "no decision". This meant the purses would be held up.

Two minutes later, the Los Angeles featherweight said he was okay and the fight proceeded. Sotelo put on a rally and ended up capturing a unanimous decision at the finish of the 10-rounder.

Sotelo weighed 129½, Tumulak, Manila, P.I., 130.

Nick Garcia, 152, Los Angeles, decisioned Geronimo Castelum, 152, East Los Angeles, (6); Frankie Gastelum, 152, Los Angeles, outpointed Willie Nicholas, 156, (4); Cesar Sinda, 135, Congo, KO over Manuel Soto, 136, Los Angeles, (2); Rudy Olivera, 144, Los Angeles, KO over Peter Hernandez, 137, Los Angeles, (1).

▲NORTHRIDGE–Using a left jab with a telling effect, Rodolfo Labato, 128½, Santa Ana, won a 10-rounder from Ray Echavarria, 131, San Jose, at Devonshire.

It was Lobato's 19th win in 23 starts. There was nothing close to a knockdown. Both tried hard and made an interesting affair of it.

Fili Castro, 117, Los Angeles, outpointed Gary Newmeyer, 117½, Oakland, (6); Jose Miranda, 127, San Fernando, decisioned Bobby Guzman, 127½, San Diego, (6); Howard Smith, 204, Los Angeles, stopped Cannibal Nuapia, 211, in the first round.

▲NORTHRIDGE–Rebel Nate Robinson, 149, Wilmington, needed to win the final round to gain a 10 round split decision over Leroy (Pepper) Romero, 147½, Butte, at Devonshire.

In a prior meeting, Robinson won via a knockout. This time, Nate's timing was off and Romero was in better condition. It was lively scrap.

Bobb Stripling, 159, Los Angeles, decisioned Alphonse Gonzales, 158, Juarez, (6); Len Beccera, 139, East Los Angeles, knocked out Greg Potter, 140, Wilmington, (3).

KENDALL STOPS OSTAPOVICH ● IN FIFTH AT VANCOUVER ●

By JIM JOHNSTON

Vancouver B.C.—Light-heavy Eddie Ostapovich was stopped in the fifth round by Andy Kendall at Wallace, Idaho. Kendall floored Ostapovich twice in the fifth.

In the co-feature George Mankin, Portland middle, won a close ten-round decision over Vancouver's Kalman Santosi.

Ray Lampkin, Portland, starched Gene Greene, Spokane, in the first round of a lightweight match.

▲Calgary heavyweight Earl McLeay was fed another easy one when he stopped Ken Austin of Lovelock, Nevada, in the third.

"Irish" Pat Duncan, Reno, knocked Herschel Thomas out in the opening round.

In a third heavyweight bout Terry Hinke, Eugene, extended his winning streak to 20 when he stopped Calgary's Ben Yee in the third round.

Maurice Rice, Seattle, an eight round duke over Calgary's Tommy Cooper. Speedy Gary Ferrari, Seattle, stopped Bobby Brooks, Phoenix, in the fourth of a featherweight bout.

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Domenico Tiberia. Sterling upset the Dane's dreams of world and European crowns but strengthened his own. It was a hard fought duel. Sterling's tremendous effort in the final round probably gave him the extra point on German referee Rudolf Drust's scorecard, which read 48-47. He gave three rounds to Sterling, two to Bogs, with five even. Round four was a hard one for Bogs.

Erkki Meronen, Finland, having his first pro fight, stopped Georges Perrot, France, in four. Junior middleweight Christian Larsen, Denmark, outpointed Prince Duko, Jamaica, in four.

SPAIN

▲**Madrid:** Pedro Carrasco won over disqualified Mando Ramos. Even Carrasco's Italian trainer, Linero Golinelli, thought it was a miracle that his boxer was favored. Carrasco was decked four times before Ramos was disqualified for what the third man considered was a foul.

▲**Mirande De Ebro:** Gitano Jiminez held on to his Spanish junior lightweight title with a decision over Manuel Alcata, 12.

▲**Almeria:** Bantamweight Dionisio Bisbal outscored Antonio Frenze, eight. Featherweight Jose Bisbal outpointed Jesus Arjona, eight.

▲**Bilbao:** Lightweight Gitano Jiminez drew in a ten rounder with Jose Vegra. Marcos Paperito beat Alberca, TKO5.

▲**Barcelona:** Lightweight Johnathan Dele drew in an eight rounder with Jose Maria. Rey Blasco ko'd Antonio Molina, three.

ITALY

▲**San Remo:** European lightweight champion Antonio Puddu, outpointed Jean Claude Thomias, France, in fifteen. This was Puddu's first defense since he won the title from Miguel Velazques, Spain, last July. Puddu, who had won 31 of his 44 starts inside the distance, failed to stop Thomias, as he had predicted.

The champion was shaken by a left hook in frame nine. A final effort by both in the last round saw Thomias get the worst of the three minutes. Puddu was cut about the eyes and his right cheek.

Spanish referee, Juan Risoto made it all square 69-69, but the judges favored Puddu, 74-69, and 74-70.

▲**San Cesareo:** Enzo Petriglia retained his Italian lightweight crown, outpointing Bruno Melissano, twelve.

▲**Foligno:** Lightweight Enzo Pizzoni beat Jean Demarthe, TKO3.

▲**Calolziocorte:** Welterweight Ermanno Fasoli outpointed Kid Rainbow, eight.

▲**Sassari:** European champion Antonio Puddu beat Sugar Ray, Holland, KO8.

▲**Rome:** Light heavyweight champion of Italy Domenico Adinolfi outscored Wendel Joseph, eight. Middleweight Aurello De Roosi outpointed Mario Lamagna, eight. Lightweight Miguel Arauyo outscored Nicola D'Orazio, eight.

▲**Forli:** Welterweight Eddie Blay outpointed Vasco Armstrong eight. Middleweight Sauro Soprani decisioned Francisco Ferri, eight.

▲**Bologna:** Dante Cane won the heavyweight title of Italy beating Bepi Ros on points in twelve. Heavy Giorgio Bambini outscored Tom Sheenan, eight. Welterweight Silvano Bertini beat Enrique Levy, TKO6.

▲**Genoa:** Heavyweight Mario Baruzzi beat Tom Sheenan, KO4.

▲**Monza:** Light heavyweight Rene Grespan outscored Raffaele Mario, ten.

▲**Ancona:** Welterweight Massimo Consolati drew in an eight rounder with Pietro Gaspari.

▲**Rome:** 4,000 saw Cassius Clay spar in the same stadium where the American won his Olympic gold medal in 1968 as a light heavyweight. Light heavyweight champion of Italy, Domenica Adolfini, beat American Kenny Warner, five. Light heavyweight Jean Claude Capitolin, France, beat Italian Sergio Fanilli.

GERMANY

▲**Cologne:** A crowd of 3,500 witnessed junior welterweight Ait Elmenceur, France, outpoint Paolo Piras, an Italian living in Germany, in six. Klaus Klein, Germany, beat Ali Sanou, France, TKO6. Heavyweight Charley Graf, Germany, beat Horst Dreyer, Germany, KO5. German welterweight champion, Horst Brinkmeier, drew in a ten rounder with Cemal Kamaci, Austria. Light heavyweight, Karl Heinz Klein, Germany, outscored 30 year-old Pascal Di Benedetto, France, ten. Junior welterweight Lionel Cuypers, the Belgium champion, decisioned Germany's junior middleweight champion, Rainer Mueller, eight.

FINLAND

▲**Helsinki:** For the first time in twenty months Promoter, Heikki Puustinen presented boxing at the Messehalle. Former European champion Olli Maki, Finland, outpointed the French champion, Leonard Tavarez. Jarmo Bergloef, Finland, outscored Claude Raviaud, France. Karl Meronen, Finland, beat Roland Saussereau. Erik Nikkinen, Finland, outpointed Mohamed Ben Said, Algiers.

HOLLAND

▲**Rotterdam:** 5,000 at the Sportpalast saw Rudi Lubbers successfully defend his Dutch heavyweight title, stopping Van Duivenbode in round five with a right counter to the head. On going down Duivenbode fractured his ankle. Jan Lubbers, Holland, outscored Wendell Joseph, Trinadad, in an eight rounder. Middleweight champion of Holland, Joop Kruis, outpointed Oudraogo, Ivory Coast, over eight rounds. Bert Nikkelen Kuyper, light heavyweight, was too strong for Ouali, Algiers, and won their six rounder. Bert Zwezerijne just did enough to outpoint Arafa, six.

FRANCE

▲**Villeurbanne:** Lightweight Maurice Tavant beat Carlos Almeida, KO3.

▲**Lens:** Guy Caudron won the French bantamweight crown, beating Claude Lapinte, twelve. Featherweight Micheal Houdeau beat Marc Vandomme, KO5.

▲**St. Etienne:** Pietro Gaspari, Italy, outpointed Marcel Cerdan, France, over ten rounds before a crowd of 3,000.

▲**Lyon:** European welterweight champion Roger Menetrey, France, outpointed Ricky Porter, ten.

▲**Marseilles:** Robert Gallois outpointed Angel Garcia, ten. Ben Abdesselem drew in an eight rounder with Jose Gallego. Welterweight Jean Claude Delgrove outscored Abdel Kader Barhounci, eight.

▲**Paris:** Lightweight Roger Zami beat Klaus Jacoby, KO3.

▲**Orleans:** Welterweight Yvon Mariolle beat Abdondi Baali, who was disqualified in the second.

▲**Tourcoing:** Welterweight Francis Vermandere beat Freddy Roelandts, TKO5.

▲**Sous le Bois:** Welterweight Georges Perrot beat Georges Fabbri, TKO2.

▲**Lyons:** Angel Garcia beat Leonardo Dessi, TKO9. Lightweight David Presenti outscored Erntesto Miranda, eight. Lightweight Elfisio Pinna beat Jack Gulino, TKO6.

▲**Perrignan:** French middleweight champion Nessim Cohen lost his crown to Fabio Bettini, in twelve.

▲**Rheims:** Welterweight champion of France, Robert Gallois beat Vitorio Marquez, KO3.

▲**Lyon:** French junior lightweight champion, Roger Zami held on to his crown, beating Maurice Tavant, TKO6.

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Calvin MacDonald, 149, Baddeck, outpointed Bernie Campbell, 145, Whitney Pier, in a four.

Ernie Moss, 125, Pier, stopped Joe Boutilier, 121, Glace Bay, in one. Don Smith, 151, Pier, iced Mike Bennett, 145, Glace Bay, midway through the third.

▲**Moncton, N.B.**—Edmundston, N.B., top-rated Canadian middleweight and a veteran of 14 years, made short work of overmatched Danny Garcia, 155, New York, and knocked him cold midway through the second of a scheduled ten. Hilton shook the visitor up with his first punch, a left hook that broke Garcia's nose.

Simeon MacKinnon failed to show against Dennid Couchrane, Dartmouth, N.S.

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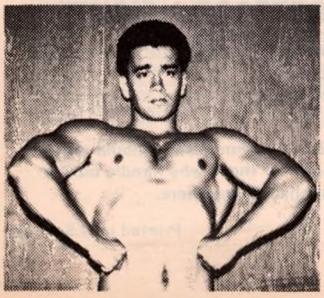

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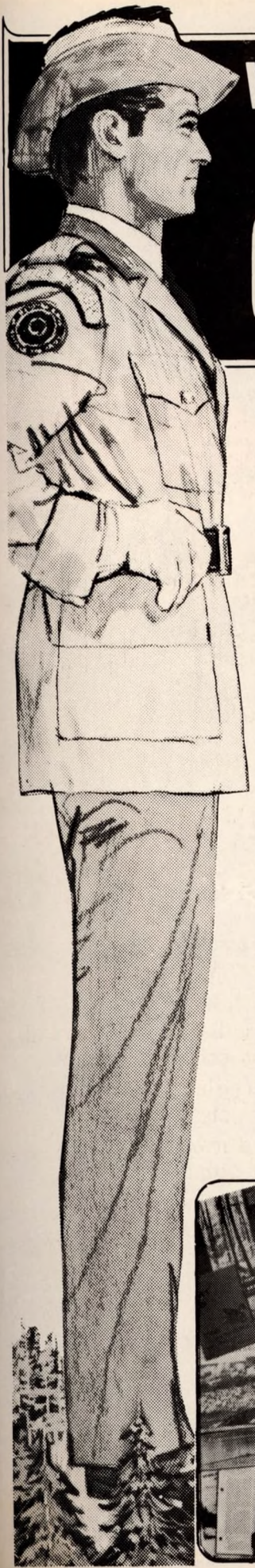

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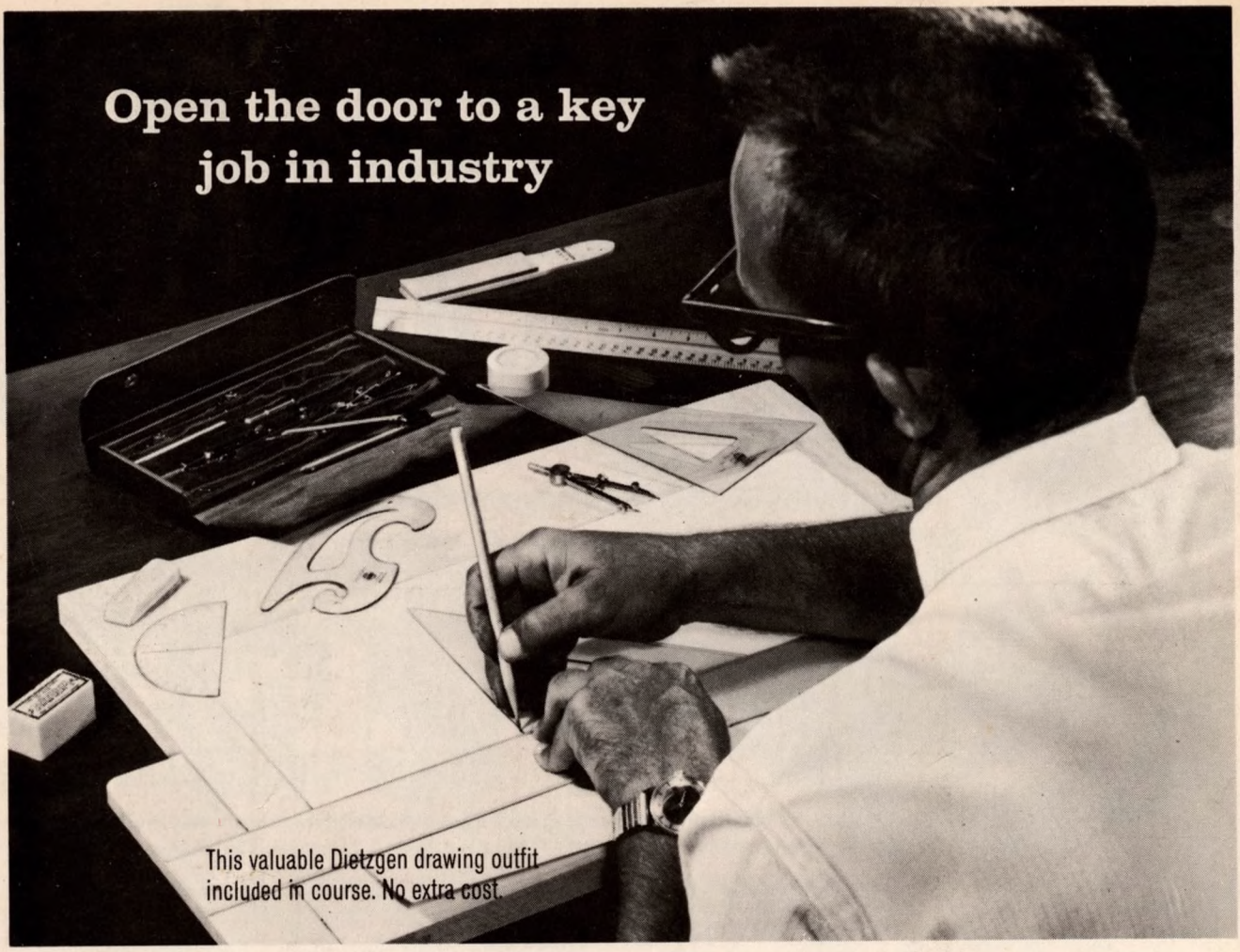

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